Gauthier John J Form 4 February 24, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Gauthier John J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO HOLDINGS LTD [AWH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/22/2010

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO HOLDINGS, LTD, 27 RICHMOND ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

3.

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

3,998

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Shares

02/22/2010

255 (1) A Α \$0

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/22/2010		A	4,400 (2)	(3)	(3)	Common Shares	2,640 (2)	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gauthier John J ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO HOLDINGS, LTD 27 RICHMOND ROAD PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

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Signatures

/s/ Wesley D. Dupont, by Power of Attorney 02/24/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Represents the Company's Common Shares acquired pursuant to its 2008 Employee Share Purchase Plan on December 31, 2009.
 - Grant of Restricted Stock Units for no monetary consideration. 4,400 Restricted Stock Units convert into (i) 2,640 of the Company's
- (2) Common Shares and (ii) cash equal to the market value of 1,760 Common Shares (measured at the date of vesting) upon the vesting of such Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) The Restricted Stock Units vest in four equal installments with the first installment vesting on February 22, 2011.

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