

VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC.

Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Phoenix Investment
Management Co

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
12/19/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. [VRTS]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

ONE AMERICAN ROW

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____X____ 10% Owner
____ Officer ____ Other
(give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line)

____ Form filed by One Reporting Person

X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HARTFORD, CT 06102

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Common Stock

770,000

D (1) A

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Title

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
Series B Voting Convertible Preferred Stock	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock 1,349,300.61 \$ (2)	D (1) Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Phoenix Investment Management Co ONE AMERICAN ROW HARTFORD,Â CTÂ 06102	Â	Â X	Â	Â
PHOENIX COMPANIES INC/DE ONE AMERICAN ROW HARTFORD,Â CTÂ 06102	Â	Â X	Â	Â

Signatures

/s/ Steven L. Bray, Vice President, on behalf of Phoenix Investment Management Company 12/31/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Steven L. Bray, Vice President, on behalf of The Phoenix Companies, Inc. 12/31/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

- Seven hundred seventy thousand (770,000) shares of common stock and thirty-five thousand two hundred seventeen (35,217) shares of
- (1) Series B Voting Convertible Preferred Stock of Virtus Investment Partners, Inc. are owned beneficially and of record by Phoenix Investment Management Company. The Phoenix Companies, Inc. is the sole stockholder of Phoenix Investment Management Company.
 - (2) Each share of Series B Voting Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible at any time into 38.3 139 shares of common stock, subject to customary anti-dilution provisions. There is no expiration date for conversion.

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