

RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 \*  
NICHOLS JOHN DRAKE

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 8-20  
EAST BROADWAY  
(Street)

PEMBROKE HM 19, BERMUDA

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/04/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Pres, RenRe Ventures Ltd.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock					59,710	D	
Common Stock	08/04/2006		M		12,851	A	\$ 39.59
Common Stock	08/04/2006		F		10,926	D	\$ 49.45
Common Stock					1,137	I	

by Partnership (1)  
by Partnership (1)

by Spouse

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

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. Transaction 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.59	08/04/2006		M	12,851	12/23/2002 08/06/2006	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NICHOLS JOHN DRAKE RENAISSANCE HOUSE 8-20 EAST BROADWAY PEMBROKE HM 19, BERMUDA			Pres, RenRe Ventures Ltd.	

## Signatures

/s/ John D. Nichols, Jr. 08/08/2006

\*\*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) These securities are owned and controlled by a family limited partnership for the benefit of immediate family members of the reporting person and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the reporting person.
- (2) Not Applicable.

### Remarks:

The transactions reported hereby relate to the exercise of employee stock options originally granted to the Reporting Person

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on August 6, 1996 with a ten year term, and were exercised shortly prior to their scheduled expiration on August 6, 2006.

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