

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD
 Form 4
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 DiSipio Christopher N.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD
 [AXS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 CEO, AXIS Accident & Health

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O AXIS, 1 UNIVERSITY
 SQUARE DRIVE, SUITE 200
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/04/2014

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Shares | 02/04/2014 | | M | 6,250 | A \$ 0 | 65,770 | D |
| Common Shares | 02/04/2014 | | D | 3,125 | D \$ 44.33 | 62,645 | D |
| Common Shares | 02/04/2014 | | F | 1,112 | D \$ 44.33 | 61,533 | 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)

| 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|-------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 02/04/2014 | | M | | (2) | (2) | Common Shares | 6,250 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 02/04/2014 | | A | 8,120 | (3) | (3) | Common Shares | 8,120 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 02/04/2014 | | A | 812 | (4) | (4) | Common Shares | 812 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DiSipio Christopher N. C/O AXIS 1 UNIVERSITY SQUARE DRIVE, SUITE 200 PRINCETON, NJ 08540 | | | CEO, AXIS Accident & Health | |

Signatures

Richard T. Gieryn, Jr.,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/06/2014

__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) Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will be equal in value to one common share (50% of the restricted stock units will be settled in common shares and 50% will be settled in cash).
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning February 4, 2014.

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(3) The restricted stock units will vest in four equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2015.

Represents a guaranteed minimum award of performance-based restricted stock units. The award may increase up to 16,240 restricted

(4) stock units provided that certain Company performance conditions are satisfied. The award will be eligible to vest in a single installment on March 1, 2017.

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