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FORM	A 4 UNITED	STATES					GE CO	OMMISSION	OMB	3235-0287	
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if no longer subject to STATEMENT OF CHANG					GES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES					2005 verage rs per 0.5	
Form 5 obligation may con <i>See</i> Instr 1(b).	ons Section 17(a) of the P	ublic U	tility Hol		ny A	ct of 1	Act of 1934, 1935 or Section	response		
(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> KARFUNKEL MICHAEL							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			Amtrust Financial Services, Inc. [AFSI]					(Check all applicable)			
				Month/Dav/Year) –				_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify			
	RUST FINANCIA 5, INC., 59 MAID H FLOOR		12/31/2	007			ľ	pelow)	below)		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year) A				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
NEW YOR	K, NY 10038						-	Form filed by M Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative Sec	urities	s Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			3.4. Securities Acquired (A)Transactionor Disposed of (D)Code(Instr. 3, 4 and 5))(Instr. 8)				Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)) Transaction(s) (Instr		(I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock								9,033,000	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2007	12/31/20	07	G	1,150,000 (1)	D	\$0	7,985,714	I	See Footnote (2)	
Common Stock								1,819,643	Ι	See Footnote	

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amou		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivatives Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Year)	Under Securi (Instr.		Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
KARFUNKEL MICHAEL C/O AMTRUST FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 59 MAIDEN LANE, 6TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10038		Х	Х				
Signatures							
/s/ Michael	05/2008						

Karfunkel	02/05/2008				
**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) Charitable contribution of 1,150,000 shares of Common Stock to Hod Foundation.

These shares are owned by New Gulf Holdings, Inc. ("NGH"), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Gulf USA Corporation ("Gulf"). (2) The Reporting Person owns 50.0% of Gulf. With respect to the shares owned by NGH, the Reporting Person shares voting and investment power with George Karfunkel.

Shares held by Hod Foundation, a charitable foundation controlled by the Reporting Person, which owns 1,819,643 shares of common (3) stock. The Reporting Person does not have a beneficial interest in the shares owned by Hod Foundation and, therefore, disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares of common stock.

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