

Pontius Jeffrey A  
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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 \*  
 ^ Pontius Jeffrey A  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/01/2013

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 INTERNATIONAL TOWER HILL MINES LTD [THM]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

C/O INTERNATIONAL  
 TOWER HILL MINES  
 LTD., ^ 2300 - 1177 WEST  
 HASTINGS STREET  
 (Street)

(Check all applicable)

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

VANCOUVER, ^ A1 ^ V6E 2K3  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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 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	579,166	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 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	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	07/28/2011	07/28/2013	Common Stock	100,000	\$ 7.47 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <sup>(2)</sup>	08/24/2017	Common Stock	650,000	\$ 3.17 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Pontius Jeffrey A C/O INTERNATIONAL TOWER HILL MINES LTD. 2300 - 1177 WEST HASTINGS STREET VANCOUVER, Â A1Â V6E 2K3	Â X	Â	Â	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey A. Pontius  
12/28/2012

\*\*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).
- (1) Options were granted on 8/24/12 and vest as follows: 1/3 on grant date; 1/3 on 8/24/13; 1/3 on 8/24/14.
- (2) Expressed in Canadian dollars.

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