FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* GGC USS Holdings, LLC	2. Date of Event Requiring Staten (Month/Day/Year 01/31/2012	nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol U.S. SILICA HOLDINGS, INC. [SLCA]								
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O U.S. SILICA HOLDINGS, INC.			4. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director X	.,		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
8490 PROGRESS DRIVE, SUITE 300			Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(Street) FREDERICK MD 21701								y More than One			
(City) (State) (Zip)											
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)		. Amount of Securities eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)						
Common Stock, par value \$0.01		49,981,023	D								
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 Securi Underlying Derivative Securit			rcise Form:		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
	Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivat Securit	ive or	r Indirect (Instr. 5)				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Michele Luburich by Power 01/31/2012 of Attorney

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of James I. Manion, Alan Jacobs, Robert M. Hayward, P.C. and Michele Luburich, signing singly, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority as hereinafter described on behalf of and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned to:

- (1) prepare, execute, acknowledge, deliver and file Forms 3, 4 and 5 (including any amendments thereto) with respect to the securities of U.S. Silica Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, any national securities exchanges and the Company, as considered necessary or advisable under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time (the "Exchange Act");
- (2) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information on transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release any such information to the undersigned and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and
- (3) perform any and all other acts which in the discretion of such attorneys-in-fact are necessary or desirable for and on behalf of the undersigned in connection with the foregoing.

The undersigned acknowledges that:

- (1) this Power of Attorney authorizes, but does not require, each such attorney-in-fact to act in their discretion on information provided to such attorney-in-fact without independent verification of such information;
- (2) any documents prepared and/or executed by any of the attorneys-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney will be in such form and will contain such information and disclosure as such attorney-in-fact, in his discretion, deems necessary or desirable;
- (3) neither the Company nor any of the attorneys-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act; and
- (4) this Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

The undersigned hereby gives and grants each of the foregoing attorneys-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or appropriate to be done in and about the foregoing matters as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if present, with full power of substitution and revocation, hereby ratifying all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, of, for and on behalf of the undersigned, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to each of such attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 23 day of September 2011.

GGC USS HOLDINGS, LLC

/s/ Rajeev Amara

By: Rajeev Amara

Its: Vice President and Secretary