

HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/  
Form 8-K  
February 23, 2011

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT  
TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**  
Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 22, 2011  
**HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**001-13790**  
(Commission File Number)

**76-0336636**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**13403 Northwest Freeway  
Houston, Texas 77040**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)  
**(713) 690-7300**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On February 22, 2011, HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc. announced its results for the Fourth Quarter of 2010 and for the full year ended December 31, 2010. A press release setting forth the announcement is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**No. Exhibit**

99.1 Press Release dated February 22, 2011

*The information contained in Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Securities Act of 1933, whether made before or after the date hereof and irrespective of any general incorporation language in any filings.*

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.

By:                   /s/ Randy D. Rinicella  
                          Randy D. Rinicella  
                          Senior Vice President, General Counsel &  
                          Secretary

DATED: February 22, 2010