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# 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) August 14, 2006

## **HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

_	DE or jurisdiction poration)	001-13790 (Commission File Number)	<b>76-0336636</b> (IRS Employer Identification No.)	
	(Address	thwest Freeway, Houston, Texas s of principal executive offices) telephone number, including area code:	77040 (Zip Code) 713-690-7300	
	(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)			
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#### **Item 8.01 Other Events**

On August 10, 2006, HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a Form 12b-25, whereby the Company announced it would not file its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2006 (the "Quarterly

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Report") on a timely basis.

On August 14, 2006, the Company issued a press release announcing the Quarterly Report would be delayed until the completion of an independent internal review of its historical stock option granting practices.

A copy of the press release filed by the Company is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference and is also available at HCC's website at www.hcc.com.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated August 14, 2006

#### **SIGNATURE**

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

	HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.	
	(Registrant)	
August 14, 2006	/s/ CHRISTOPHER L. MARTIN	
(Date)	Christopher L. Martin  Executive VP & General Counsel	

#### **Exhibit Index**

99.1 Press release dated August 14, 2006