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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 3, 2006

HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-13790 76-0336636

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

13403 Northwest Freeway Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

77040-6094

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (713) 690-7300

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Item 1.01 Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 3, 2006, the Company entered into an agreement to acquire the assets of the Health Products Division (the Division) of Allianz Life Insurance Company of North America (Allianz Life) for a cash consideration of \$140 million. Under the terms of the purchase agreement, the Company s subsidiary HCC Life Insurance Company (HCC Life) will acquire the assets of the Division from Allianz Life and its subsidiary Allianz Life Insurance Company of New York (Allianz New York). The Company will take over all of the inforce business in the Division from and after the date of closing and assume the reserves therefor. In connection with the acquisition, HCC Life will enter into reinsurance agreements with Allianz Life and Allianz New York reinsuring the business comprising the Division from the date of closing as well as an administration agreement whereunder HCC Life will administer such business from the date of closing.

The transaction is expected to close by the end of the third quarter 2006 following regulatory approvals.

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SIGNATURES

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.

Date: August 4, 2006 By: /s/ Christopher L. Martin

Christopher L. Martin,

Executive Vice President and General

Counsel