

BRAMANTI FRANK J

Form 4

August 13, 2010

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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may continue.  
See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BRAMANTI FRANK J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O HCC INSURANCE  
HOLDINGS, INC., 13403  
NORTHWEST FREEWAY

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77040

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS  
INC/DE/ [HCC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/12/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/12/2010		S		1,234	D \$ 25.006 <u>(1)</u>	1,234	I	By Children
Common Stock							1,125	I	By Trust
Common Stock							349,530	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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Filing Date
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Option to Purchase (2)	\$ 30.85					01/05/2007	01/05/2011	Common Stock
Option to Purchase (2)	\$ 31.11					(3)	03/02/2012	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BRAMANTI FRANK J C/O HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC. 13403 NORTHWEST FREEWAY HOUSTON, TX 77040	X

## Signatures

Randy D. Rinicella as Attorney in Fact for Frank J. Bramanti 08/13/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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) The price \$25.006 represents a weighted average of sales prices ranging from \$25.00 to \$25.0104. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided to the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer upon request.
- (2) Option to purchase granted pursuant to the 2004 Flexible Incentive Plan.

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(3) The options vested at 100,000 shares on 03/02/08 and 100,000 on 03/02/09.

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