Homeowners Choice, Inc. Form 8-K October 17, 2008

# 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 and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (or Date of Earliest Event Reported): October 14, 2008

## Homeowners Choice, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Florida (State or Other Jurisdiction of

001-34126 (Commission File Number) 20-5961396 (I.R.S. Employer

**Incorporation or Organization**)

**Identification Number**)

2340 Drew Street, Suite 200

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Clearwater, Florida 33765

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(727) 213-3600

(Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- " Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " 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))

#### Section 2. Financial Information

#### Item 2.01 Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets

On October 14, 2008, we assumed approximately 46,000 homeowners insurance policies from Citizens Property Insurance Corporation, an entity created by the Legislature of the State of Florida. We assumed the policies pursuant to Florida s take-out program, designed to reduce the State s risk exposure by encouraging private insurance companies to assume policies from the state controlled insurance company. Under the program, we assume the risk under the policies on October 14, 2008, Citizens continues to service the policies until expiration and we receive from Citizens unearned premiums associated with the policies, less ceding commissions retained by Citizens. Policyholders may opt out of the program any time and remain with Citizens.

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: October 17, 2008.

HOMEOWNERS CHOICE, INC.

BY: /s/ Richard R. Allen Name: Richard R. Allen Title: Chief Financial Officer

A signed original of this Form 8-K has been provided to Homeowners Choice, Inc. and will be retained by Homeowners Choice, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.