

HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/  
Form 8-K  
June 24, 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 Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

June 20, 2008

**HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware<br>(State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation) | 001-13790<br>(Commission File Number) | 76-0336636<br>(IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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13403 Northwest Freeway  
Houston, Texas  
(Address of principal executive offices)

77040-6094  
(Zip Code)

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

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)
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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 8.01 Other Events.**

On June 20, 2008, HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc. (the Company ) announced in a press release that its Board of Directors approved the repurchase of up to an aggregate of \$100 million of its common stock.

The share repurchase plan calls for the repurchases to be made in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions from time-to-time in compliance with applicable rules and regulations, including Rule 10b-18 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Repurchases under the plan will be subject to market and business conditions, as well as the Company s level of cash generated from operations, cash required for acquisitions, debt covenant compliance, trading price of the stock being at or below book value and other relevant factors. The plan does not obligate the Company to purchase any particular number of shares, and may be suspended or discontinued at any time at the Company s discretion.

A copy of the Company s press release announcing the approval of the share repurchase plan is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

| <b>No.</b> | <b>Exhibit</b>   |
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| 99.1       | Press Release issued by HCC insurance Holdings, Inc. dated June 20, 2008 |

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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: June 24, 2008

By: /s/ Frank J. Bramanti  
Frank J. Bramanti  
Chief Executive Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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