

ASSURANT INC  
Form 8-K  
January 18, 2011

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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): 01/14/2011**

**Assurant, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Commission File Number: 001-31978**

**DE**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**39-1126612**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**One Chase Manhattan Plaza, 41st Floor**  
New York, New York 10005  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(212) 859-7000**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - 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 January 18, 2011, Assurant, Inc. (the "Company") issued a news release announcing that the Company's Board of Directors authorized the Company's repurchase of up to \$600 million aggregate cost at purchase of its common stock, in excess of the approximately \$206 million aggregate cost at purchase remaining outstanding as of January 14, 2011 under the Company's existing share repurchase authorization. A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Ex. 99.1 News Release, dated January 18, 2011

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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.

Assurant, Inc.

Date: January 18, 2011

By: /s/ Stephen W. Gauster

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Stephen W. Gauster  
Senior Vice President, Chief Corporate Counsel and Assistant  
Secretary

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b> | <b><u>Description</u></b>            |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| EX-99.1                   | News Release, dated January 18, 2011 |