

STONE HEISZ LESLIE
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 STONE HEISZ LESLIE

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 07/16/2012

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

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HOUSTON, TX 77040

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price			

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)

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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. P. Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock ⁽¹⁾	<u>(2)</u>							<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	6,577.79
Deferred Stock ⁽¹⁾	<u>(2)</u>	07/16/2012		A		32.43		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	32.43

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Alexander M Ludlow as Attorney in Fact for Leslie Stone Heisz 07/17/2012

__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) Represents stock compensation deferred pursuant to the HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc. Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan").
- (2) Each share of deferred stock represents the right to receive one share of HCC common stock.
- (3) The deferred stock will be payable to the reporting person in shares of HCC common stock upon occurrence of certain payment events, including reporting person's termination of service as a director or a change in control of HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.
- (4) Represents dividend equivalents on compensation deferred under the Plan.
- (5) Represents the closing price of HCC's common stock on Monday, July 16, 2012.

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