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> 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: May 1, 2002 (Date of earliest event reported)

Markel Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia	001-15811	54-1959284
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	(I.R.S. Employer
of incorporation or organization)	File Number)	Identification No.)

4521 Highwoods Parkway Glen Allen, Virginia 23060-6148 (804) 747-0136 (Address including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

Attached is a copy of a press release issued by Markel Corporation on May 1, 2002.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated May 1, 2002

## 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.

MARKEL CORPORATION

Date: May 1, 2002

By: /s/ Darrell D. Martin

Name: Darrell D. Martin Title: Executive Vice President and

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Chief Financial Officer