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HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/ Form 8-K August 26, 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

August 20, 2008

Date of Report

(Date of earliest event reported)

HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-13790

76-0336636

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

13403 Northwest Freeway Houston, Texas 77040-6094

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(713) 690-7300

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5.02(d). Election of Directors.

Robert A. Rosholt, 58, was elected to our Board of Directors on August 20, 2008. He is the former Chief Financial Officer for Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, where he was responsible for Finance, Investments and Strategy from September 2002 to April 2008. Prior to joining Nationwide, Mr. Rosholt served as Executive Vice President and Chief of Operations at the risk services unit of Aon Corporation, a leading global provider of risk management services, insurance and reinsurance brokerage and human capital consulting, from September 2000 to October 2002. Mr. Rosholt also served as Chief Financial Officer at First Chicago Corporation and its successor companies including Bank One, from June 1974 to May 2000, where he had oversight for capital and asset liability management as well as proprietary investment activities. Rosholt holds a bachelor s degree from St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn., and a master s degree in business administration from the University of Rochester. He is a director of Abercrombie & Fitch Co. (NYSE symbol: ANF) and Nationwide Bank, a federally chartered savings bank.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.

Dated: August 26, 2008 By: /s/ Frank J. Bramanti

Frank J. Bramanti

Chief Executive Officer