

HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/  
Form 8-K  
September 28, 2011

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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): **September 22, 2011**

**HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

**001-13790**  
(Commission File Number)

**76-0336636**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**13403 Northwest Freeway  
Houston, Texas 77040**

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(713) 690-7300**

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

On September 22, 2011, HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc. (the Company ) entered into an amendment (the Amendment ) to its Loan Agreement (the Credit Agreement ) among the Company, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, Barclays Bank PLC and Bank of America, N.A., as Co-Syndication Agents, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and The Royal Bank of Scotland PLC, as Co-Documentation Agents, and the other lenders party thereto. The Amendment increases the amount of the Company s common stock that it may redeem, retire or otherwise acquire, directly or indirectly, in the aggregate and on a cumulative basis, pursuant to the terms of the Credit Agreement from \$500,000,000 to \$750,000,000. The description of the Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to such agreement. A copy of the Amendment is attached to this Current Report as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein in its entirety by reference thereto.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

No.	Exhibit
10.1	First Amendment to Loan Agreement, dated September 22, 2011, among HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc., Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, Barclays Bank PLC and Bank of America, N.A., as Co-Syndication Agents, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and The Royal Bank of Scotland PLC, as Co-Documentation Agents, and the other lenders party thereto.

**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.

By:

/s/ Alexander M Ludlow  
Alexander M Ludlow  
Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary

DATED: September 28, 2011