

HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/

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Registration No. 333-76122

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1
TO
Form S-3
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933
HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

76-0336636

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

13403 Northwest Freeway
Houston, Texas 77040
(713) 690-7300

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of each Registrant's principal executive offices)

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(Name, address including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: Not applicable.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box.

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

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If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

DEREGISTRATION OF SECURITIES

We are filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 (this Amendment) to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-76122) (the Registration Statement) of HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc. to deregister \$322,500,000 of debt securities, common stock, warrants and other securities registered pursuant to the Registration Statement that remain unissued as of the date this Amendment is filed.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-3 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Houston, Texas, on the 25th day of May, 2006.

HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ STEPHEN L. WAY

Stephen L. Way
*Chairman of the Board and
Chief Executive Officer*

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-3 has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the 25th day of May, 2006.

| Signature | Title |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| /s/ STEPHEN L. WAY | Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) |
| Stephen L. Way | |
| /s/ FRANK J. BRAMANTI* | Director |
| Frank J. Bramanti | |
| /s/ PATRICK B. COLLINS* | Director |
| Patrick B. Collins | |
| /s/ JAMES R. CRANE* | Director |
| James R. Crane | |
| /s/ J. ROBERT DICKERSON* | Director |
| J. Robert Dickerson | |
| /s/ WALTER M. DUER | Director |
| Walter M. Duer | |
| /s/ EDWARD H. ELLIS, JR. | Director, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Chief Accounting Officer) |
| Edward H. Ellis, Jr. | |
| /s/ JAMES C. FLAGG* | Director |
| James C. Flagg | |

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/s/ ALLAN W. FULKERSON* Director

Allan W. Fulkerson

/s/ WALTER J. LACK* Director

Walter J. Lack

/s/ JOHN N. MOLBECK, JR. Director, President and Chief Operating Officer

John N. Molbeck, Jr.

/s/ MICHAEL A.F. ROBERTS Director

Michael A.F. Roberts

*By: /s/ STEPHEN L. WAY

Stephen L. Way
Attorney-in-fact