HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/ Form 8-K December 06, 2010

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): 12/01/2010

HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 001-13790

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 76-0336636 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

13403 Northwest Freeway

Houston, Texas 77040 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

713-690-7300

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc. entered into a Second Amendment to Employment Agreement (the "Agreement") with Michael J. Schell effective on December 1, 2010. Under the terms of this amendment, the term of the Agreement was extended to December 31, 2014 and the base salary was increased to \$750,000. In addition, Mr. Schell's title was changed to Executive Vice President and Chief Property and Casualty Insurance Officer. All other provisions of the original employment agreement remain unchanged. A copy of the Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

No. Exhibit

10.1 Second Amendment to Employment Agreement dated effective as of December 1, 2010 by and between HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc. and Michael J. Schell

SIGNATURES

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.

Date: December 06, 2010 By: /s/ Randy D. Rinicella

Randy D. Rinicella Sr. Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
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