Rinicella Randy D Form 4 October 03, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Rinicella Randy D

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

(Last)

C/O HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC., 13403 NORTHWEST FREEWAY

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

HOUSTON, TX 77040

(City)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/ [HCC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

10/03/2012

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

SVP, General Counsel & Sec

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock							15,435	D	
Common Stock	10/03/2012		M	50	A	\$ 24.95	15,485	D	
Common Stock	10/03/2012		M	1,200	A	\$ 23.43	16,685	D	
Common Stock	10/03/2012		S	1,250	D	\$ 34.3701	15,435	D	

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Date 3A. Deemed onth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option to Purchase	\$ 24.95	10/03/2012		M	50	<u>(2)</u>	08/24/2016	Common Stock	25,000	
Option to Purchase (3)	\$ 23.43	10/03/2012		M	1,200	<u>(4)</u>	05/13/2014	Common Stock	50,000	
Option to Purchase (3)	\$ 27.85					<u>(5)</u>	08/28/2013	Common Stock	75,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rinicella Randy D C/O HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC. 13403 NORTHWEST FREEWAY HOUSTON, TX 77040

SVP, General Counsel & Sec

Signatures

Randy D. 10/03/2012

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Option to purchase granted pursuant to the 2008 Flexible Incentive Plan.
- (2) The options vest at 5,000 shares annually for 5 years beginning on 8/24/2011.
- (3) Option to purchase granted pursuant to the 2004 Flexible Incentive Plan.
- (4) The options vest at 10,000 shares annually for 5 years beginning on 05/13/2009.
- (5) The options vest at 15,000 shares annually for 5 years beginning on 8/28/2008.

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