

HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MARTIN CHRISTOPHER L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/ [HCC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

 (Street)

 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/12/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
EVP, Sec & General Counsel

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

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price	4,794	D	

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase <u>(1)</u>	\$ 16.8					<u>(2)</u> 01/24/2008	Common Stock	22,500
Option to Purchase <u>(3)</u>	\$ 27.02					<u>(4)</u> 09/28/2011	Common Stock	75,000
Option to Purchase <u>(1)</u>	\$ 16.61					<u>(5)</u> 01/03/2011	Common Stock	52,500
Option to Purchase <u>(1)</u>	\$ 13.59					<u>(5)</u> 07/22/2010	Common Stock	52,500
Option to Purchase <u>(3)</u>	\$ 31.91	05/12/2006		A	25,000	<u>(6)</u> 05/12/2011	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MARTIN CHRISTOPHER L			EVP, Sec & General Counsel	

Signatures

Christopher L. Martin
 05/12/2006
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 2001 Flexible Incentive Plan.
- (2) The options vest equally, on the anniversary date, over a 5 year period.

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- (3) Option to purchase granted pursuant to the 2004 Flexible Incentive Plan.
- (4) The options vest equally, on the anniversary date, over a 4 year period.
- (5) The options vest equally, on the anniversary date, over a 7 year period.
- (6) The options vest equally, on the anniversary date, over a 3 year period.

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