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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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SECURITIES

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obligations may continue.

See Instruction

1(b).

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COLLINS PATRICK B			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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/11/2005					X Director Officer (give below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative :	Secur	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		on Date, if	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Direct Benefic Owned (D) or Owners Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	11/11/2005			Code V S	Amount 300	(D)	Price \$ 32.75	7,200	D		
Common Stock	11/11/2005			S	7,200	D	\$ 32.7	0	D		
Common Stock	11/11/2005			M	15,000	A	\$ 13.67	15,000	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Numb orDerivativ Securitie Acquired or Dispo (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	ve es d (A) osed of	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	\$ 16.17						12/18/1997	12/18/2006	Common Stock	7,500
Option to Purchase	\$ 16.8						01/24/2003	01/24/2008	Common Stock	18,750
Option to Purchase	\$ 16.61						01/03/2004	01/03/2009	Common Stock	37,500
Option to Purchase (2)	\$ 21.33						12/20/2005	12/20/2009	Common Stock	18,750
Option to Purchase (1)	\$ 13.67	11/11/2005		M	15	5,000	01/16/2002	01/16/2006	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COLLINS PATRICK B							
	X						

Signatures

Christopher L. Martin as Attorney-in-Fact for Patrick B.
Collins

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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 1996 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan.
- (2) Option to purchase granted pursuant to the 2001 Flexible Incentive Plan.

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