BRAMANTI FRANK J

Form 4

February 20, 2009

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BRAMANTI FRANK J** Issuer Symbol **HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS** (Check all applicable) INC/DE/ [HCC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O HCC INSURANCE 02/17/2009 Chief Executive Officer HOLDINGS, INC., 13403 NORTHWEST FREEWAY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77040 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 20,676 02/17/2009 D A 324,241 (1)23.94 Stock Common By 2,468 I Stock Children

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)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. H Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option to Purchase	\$ 21.37					12/20/2005	12/20/2009	Common Stock	18,750	
Option to Purchase (3)	\$ 30.85					01/05/2007	01/05/2011	Common Stock	12,500	
Option to Purchase	\$ 31.11					<u>(4)</u>	03/02/2012	Common Stock	400,000	
Option to Purchase (3)	\$ 31.11					03/02/2011	03/02/2012	Common Stock	50,000	

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			•	
- 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BRAMANTI FRANK J C/O HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS, INC. 13403 NORTHWEST FREEWAY HOUSTON, TX 77040	X		Chief Executive Officer	
Signatures				
Randy D. Rinicella as Attorney in Fact for Fra Bramanti	ank J.		02/20/2009	
**Signature of Reporting Person			Date	

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- * 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) Shares acquired pursuant to a grant under the 2008 Flexible Incentive Plan. This grant is subject to restrictions on transfer or sale under the terms of the 2009 Executive Stock Ownership and Retention Policy.
- (2) Option to purchase granted pursuant to the 2004 Flexible Incentive Plan.
- (3) Option to purchase granted pursuant to the 2001 Flexible Incentive Plan.
- (4) The options vest at 100,000 shares annually beginning 03/02/08.

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