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FORM 4

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

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

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1(b).

(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) (M	iddle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2007			_X_ Director Officer (giv below)	ive title 0% Owner 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) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) of (D) 4 and (A) or)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock								22,500	D		
Common Stock	05/10/2007			A	2,500 (1)	A	\$ 32	25,000	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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date Under (Month/Day/Year) (Instr.		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option to Purchase (2)	\$ 18.33					01/24/2003	01/24/2008	Common Stock	18,750	
Option to Purchase (2)	\$ 16.8					01/03/2004	01/03/2009	Common Stock	37,500	
Option to Purchase	\$ 21.37					12/20/2005	12/20/2009	Common Stock	18,750	
Option to Purchase	\$ 30.85					01/05/2007	01/05/2011	Common Stock	12,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COLLINS PATRICK B							
	Y						

Signatures

Edward H. Ellis, Jr. as Attorney in Fact for Patrick B.
Collins

05/14/2007

**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) As part of the Board Compensation package, each non-management Director is granted annually on the day they are elected, re-elected, or first appointed, \$80,000 of HCC stock at the closing price on such day. Mr. Collins was re-elected on Thursday, May 10, 2007,

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therefore at the closing price of \$32, he received 2,500 shares.

- (2) Option to purchase granted pursuant to the 2001 Flexible Incentive Plan.
- (3) Option to purchase granted pursuant to the 2004 Flexible Incentive Plan.

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