## HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS INC/DE/

Form 144

December 31, 2001

Common

Stock

UNITED STATES  SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549  FORM 144  NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITI		SSION	C	MB AP	PROVAL		
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of this form concurrently with either placing an order with a broker to execute a sale or executing a sale				DOCUMENT SEQUENCE NO.			
directly with a market maker.		CUSIP NUMBER					
			WORK LOCA	TION			
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13403 Northwest 1	-				Texas	7	
2(a) NAME OF PERS	SON FOR WHOSE ACCOUNT IES ARE TO BE SOLD		.S. IDENT.	(c)	RELATIONSHIP TO ISSUER		
Stephen L. Way			0-6087	Chai	rman & CEO	13403 Nor	thwes
INSTRUCTION: The	person filing this no I.R.S. Identification	tice shou					
3(a) TITLE OF THE CLASS OF		(b)  NAME AND ADDRESS OF EACH BE THROUGH WHOM THE SECURITIES AF OFFERED OR EACH MARKET MAKER ACQUIRING THE SECURITIE		RE TO BE WHO IS BROKER-D		(c NLY NUMBER OF OR OTHER	
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TITLE OF THE	NUMBER OF SHARES	APPROXIMATE	NAME OF EACH
CLASS OF	OR OTHER UNITS	DATE OF SALE	SECURITIES
SECURITIES	OUTSTANDING	(See instr. 3(f))	EXCHANGE
TO BE SOLD	(See instr. 3(e))	(Mo. Day Yr.)	(See instr. 3(g))
Common Stock	61,000,895 Note 2	12/28/01	NYSE

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. (a) Name of issuer
  - (b) Issuer's I.R.S. Identification Number
  - (c) Issuer's S.E.C. file number, if any
  - (d) Issuer's address, including zip code
  - (e) Issuer's telephone number, including area code
- (a) Name of person for whose account the securities are to be sold
  - (b) Such person's I.R.S. identification number, if such person is an entity
  - (c) Such person's relationship to the issuer (e.g., officer, director, 10 percent stockholder, or member
    - of immediate family of any of the foregoing)
  - (d) Such person's address, including zip code
- 3. (a) Title of the class of securities to be sold
  - (b) Name and address of each broker through whom the securities are intended to be sold
  - (c) Number of shares or other units to be sold (if debt securities, give the aggregate face amount)
  - (d) Aggregate market value of the securities to be sold as of a specified date within 10 days prior to the filing of this notice
  - (e) Number of shares or other units of the class outstanding, or if debt securities the face amount thereof outstanding, as shown by the most recent report or statement published by the issuer
  - (f) Approximate date on which the securities are to be sold
  - (g) Name of each securities exchange, if any, on which the securities are intended to be sold

POTENTIAL PERSONS WHO ARE TO RESPOND TO THE COLLECTION OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM ARE NOT REQUIRED TO RESPOND UNLESS THE FORM DISPLAYS A CURRENTLY VALID OMB CONTROL NUMBER.

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securities to be sold and with respect to the payment of all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor:

Title of the Class	Date you Acquired	-	Name of Person from Whom Acquired (If gift, also give date donor acquired)	Amount of Securities Acquired
Common Stock	12/19/01	Exercise of Stock Options	HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.	387 <b>,</b> 500

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. If the securities were purchased and full payment therefor was not made in cash at the time of purchase, explain in the table or in a note thereto the nature of the consideration given. If the consideration consisted of any note or other obligation, or if payment was made in installments describe the arrangement and state when the note or other obligation was discharged in full or the last installment paid.
- 2. If within two years after the acquisition of the securities the person for whose account they are to be sold had any short positions, put or other option to dispose of securities referred to in paragraph (d) (3) of Rule 144, furnish full information with respect thereto.

TABLE II--SECURITIES SOLD DURING THE PAST 3 MONTHS
Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past three

months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold.

Name and Address of Seller	Title of Securities Sold	Date of Sale	A Se
	Common Stock	09/27/01	3
Stephen L. Way	Common Stock	10/11/01	3
13403 Northwest Freeway	Common Stock	12/19/01	1
Houston, Texas 77040	Common Stock	12/20/01	
	Common Stock	12/21/01	
	Common Stock	12/24/01	
	Common Stock	12/27/01	

REMARKS: NOTE 1: BASED UPON NYSE CLOSING PRICE ON 12/27/01 OF \$27.22.

NOTE 2: SHARES OUTSTANDING AS OF 11/30/01

### INSTRUCTIONS:

See the definition of "person" in paragraph (a) of Rule 144. Information is to be given not only as to the person for whose account the securities are to be sold but also as to all other persons included in that definition. In addition, information shall be given as to sales by all persons whose sales are required by paragraph (e) of Rule 144 to be aggregated with sales for the account of the person filing this notice.

December 28, 2001
DATE OF NOTICE
ATTENTION:  The person for whose account the securities to which this notice relates are to be sold hereby represents by signing this notice that he does not know any material adverse information in regard to the current and prospective operations of the Issuer of the securities to be sold which has not been publicly disclosed.
/s/ STEPHEN L. WAY
(SIGNATURE)
The notice shall be signed by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold. At least one copy of the notice shall be manually signed.  Any copies not manually signed shall bear typed or printed signatures.
ATTENTION: INTERNATIONAL MISSTATEMENTS OR OMISSION OF FACTS CONSTITUTE FEDERAL CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS (SEE 18 U.S.C. 1001).
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