

HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC.  
Form 8-K  
October 21, 2009

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 20, 2009

**THE HANOVER INSURANCE GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

1-13754  
(Commission File Number)

04-3263626  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**440 Lincoln Street, Worcester, Massachusetts 01653**

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (508) 855-1000

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On October 20, 2009, the Company issued the following press release: The Hanover Insurance Group, Inc. Increases Annual Dividend by \$0.30 to \$0.75 Per Share . The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is hereby incorporated by reference in this Item 8.01.

**Item 9.0 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are furnished herewith:

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release, dated October 20, 2009, announcing annual dividend of \$0.75 cents per share.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The Hanover Insurance Group, Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: October 20, 2009

By: /s/ Eugene M. Bullis  
Eugene M. Bullis  
Executive Vice President,  
  
Chief Financial Officer and  
  
Principal Accounting Officer