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Mail Stop 4720

June 16, 2009

Mr. Frank Bramanti
Chief Executive Officer
HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.
13403 Northwest Freeway
Houston, TX 77040-6094

Re: HCC Insurance Holdings, Inc.
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008
Filed March 2, 2009
File No. 001-13790

Dear Mr. Bramanti:

We have completed our review of the above filing and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Gus Rodriguez
Accounting Branch Chief