

CNA FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 02, 2012  
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) July 2, 2012

CNA FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware<br>(State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | 1-5823<br>(Commission<br>File Number) | 36-6169860<br>(IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |
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| 333 S. Wabash, Chicago, Illinois<br>(Address of principal executive offices) | 60604<br>(Zip Code) |
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (312) 822-5000

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.

On July 2, 2012, the registrant issued a press release announcing the successful consummation of its acquisition of Hardy Underwriting Bermuda Limited. The press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits:

See Exhibit Index.

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.

CNA Financial Corporation  
(Registrant)

Date: July 2, 2012

By /s/ D. Craig Mense  
(Signature)  
D. Craig Mense  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit No. | Description   |
|-------------|---|
| <u>99.1</u> | CNA Financial Corporation press release, issued July 2, 2012, announcing the acquisition of Hardy Underwriting Bermuda Limited. |