

AMERICAN SAFETY INSURANCE HOLDINGS LTD
Form 8-K
February 01, 2013

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): February 1, 2013

AMERICAN SAFETY INSURANCE HOLDINGS, LTD.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation or Organization)

001-14795
(Commission
File Number)

Not applicable
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

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The Boyle Building, 2nd Floor

31 Queen Street

Hamilton, Bermuda HM 11

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(441) 296-8560

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) 12 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) 12 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 240.13e-2(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On February 1, 2013, the Registrant issued a press release providing an estimate of reserve strengthening and losses to be included in its fourth quarter 2012 results and announcing that A.M. Best has affirmed the Company's strength rating of A (Excellent) and revised the outlook to negative from stable.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being furnished herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release of American Safety Insurance Holdings, Ltd. issued February 1, 2013, providing an estimate of reserve strengthening and losses to be included in its results for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2012, and announcing that A.M. Best has affirmed the Company's strength rating of A (Excellent) and revised the outlook to negative from stable.

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.

AMERICAN SAFETY INSURANCE HOLDINGS, LTD.
Registrant

Date: February 1, 2013

By: /s/ Stephen R. Crim
Stephen R. Crim
President/CEO