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

May 6, 2019

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ICC Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **1-681903** (Commission File Number) **81-3359409** (IRS Employer Ident. No.)

225 20th Street, Rock Island, Illinois (Address of principal executive offices)

61201 (Zip Code)

(309) 793-1700

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

N/A

(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:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4 (c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 6, 2019, ICC Holdings, Inc. issued a press release containing financial information regarding its results of operations and financial condition for the period ended March 31, 2019. A copy of the press release is furnished as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K and is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

<u>99.1</u> Press release, dated May 6, 2019.

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.

ICC HOLDINGS, INC.

Dated: May 6, 2019

By: <u>/s/ Arron K. Sutherland</u> Arron K. Sutherland President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

Exhibit Number

<u>99.1</u> Press release, dated May 6, 2019.

Description



ICC Holdings, Inc. Reports First Quarter 2019 Results

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: 05/06/2019

Rock Island, IL. – May 6, 2019 – ICC Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: ICCH) (the Company), parent company of Illinois Casualty Company (ICC), a regional, multi-line property and casualty insurance company focusing exclusively on the food and beverage industry, today reported preliminary, unaudited results for the three months ended March 31, 2019.

FIRST QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2019 - FINANCIAL RESULTS

Net earnings totaled \$289,000 or \$0.10 per share, for the first quarter of 2019, compared to \$676,000 or \$0.21 per share for the first quarter of 2018. Additionally, book value per share increased 3.1% to \$18.28 from \$17.74.

For the three months ended March 31, 2019, direct premiums written grew by \$871,000, or 6.1%, to \$15,259,000 from \$14,388,000 for the same period in 2018. Net premiums earned grew by 10.2% to \$12,446,000 for the first quarter of 2019 from \$11,297,000 for the same period in 2018.

For the first quarter of 2019, the Company ceded to reinsurers \$2,847,000 of earned premiums, compared to \$2,248,000 of earned premiums for the first quarter of 2018. The first quarter of 2019 includes \$459,000 of catastrophe reinsurance reinstatement premiums related to claims occurring during the "Polar Vortex" that began in late January.

Net realized investment losses including other-than-temporary impairment losses were \$47,000 compared to gains of \$1,102,000 for the first quarter of 2019 and 2018, respectively. The net realized investment gains net of other-than-temporary impairment losses for the three months ended March 31, 2018, resulted from the Company liquidating common stock securities as part of the transition to a new equity manager during the first quarter of 2018.

Net investment income increased by \$92,000, or 13.1%, to \$795,000 for the first quarter of 2019, as compared to \$703,000 for the same period in 2018, driven by a combination of increased book yield and an increase in net asset value from positive cashflow from operations.

Losses and settlement expenses increased by \$1,611,000, or 20.1%, to \$9,607,000 for the first quarter of 2019, from \$7,996,000 for the same period in 2018. Losses and settlement expenses increased for the three months ended March 31, 2019, primarily due to larger Businessowners losses. During the first quarter of 2019, weather related losses represented approximately \$1,001,000 on a net basis.

Policy acquisition costs and other operating expenses increased by \$713,000, or 17.2%, to \$4,850,000 for the first quarter of 2019 from \$4,137,000 for the same period in 2018. The primary driver related to restructuring 2019 reinsurance contracts to eliminate all ceding commissions on primary excess of loss contracts. The change increased the Company's overall net earned premiums by the same amount.

Total assets increased by 8.6% from \$150,283,000 at December 31, 2018, to \$163,270,000 at March 31, 2019. The primary drivers for the change were a \$1,907,000 increase in our equity portfolio and a \$1,866,000 increase in our fixed income portfolio from market appreciation along with an overall increase in reinsurance assets due in part to a few large property losses in the first quarter and the collection of \$3,733,000 on a subrogation case that will be

returned to our reinsurance partners in the second quarter. Our investment portfolio, which consists of fixed maturity securities, common stocks, and property held for investment, increased by 2.7% from \$104,565,000 at December 31, 2018, to \$107,432,000 at March 31, 2019.

FIRST QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2019 – FINANCIAL RATIOS

The Company's losses and settlement expense ratio (defined as losses and settlement expenses divided by net premiums earned) was 77.2% in the first quarter ended March 31, 2019 compared with 70.8% in the first quarter of 2018.

The expense ratio (defined as the amortization of deferred policy acquisition costs and underwriting and administrative expenses divided by net premiums earned) was 39.0% in the first quarter ended March 31, 2019, compared to 36.6% in the first quarter of 2018. Part of the increase in the 2019 expense ratio (1.4%) is caused by the additional reinsurance reinstatement premium incurred.

The Company's GAAP combined ratio (defined as the sum of the losses and settlement expense ratio and the expense ratio) was 116.2% in the first quarter ended March 31, 2019, compared to 107.4% in the first quarter of 2018.

MANAGEMENT COMMENTARY

"I am pleased to report that the Company continues to produce positive earnings per share. With that said, it is obvious that the volatile and unprecedented weather pattern experienced by the Midwest in first quarter has impacted financial results. As stated above, we had a combined ratio of 116.2%. This was driven by unfavorable property results; all other lines of business produced a very favorable combined ratio of 95.9%. The Polar Vortex was the largest property catastrophe loss in the history of ICC, increasing incurred losses and reported claim counts while also reducing net premiums for the quarter. The impact of this event is disproportionate to the quarter and, as the year progresses, will have much less influence on overall profitability. We continue to see strong top line premium growth, driven primarily by improved rate adequacy. Direct Premium has grown over 6%, while the policies in force count has grown less than 1%, increasing our average premium per policy by approximately 5.5%. As the rate increases roll into the book of business, I expect improvement in the related loss ratios. Additionally, the portion of our premium ceded to reinsurance should decrease and produce a corresponding increase to net premium throughout the remainder of the year. I am confident that the rate strengthening, reinsurance structure changes, and overall quality of our book of business will overcome this single weather event and lead to an improved result over the next three quarters of 2019. I am excited about the future of ICCH, the talented team in place and the quality book of business that we have built," stated Arron Sutherland, President and Chief Executive Officer.

ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING

The Company will hold its annual shareholders meeting on May 21, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. CT which will include discussion of the results for the three months ended March 31, 2019.

ABOUT ICC HOLDINGS, INC.

ICC Holdings, Inc. is a vertically integrated company created to facilitate the growth, expansion and diversification of its subsidiaries in order to maximize value to its stakeholders. The group of companies consolidated under ICC Holdings, Inc. engages in diverse, yet complementary business activities, including property and casualty insurance, real estate, and information technology.

The Company's common shares trade on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the ticker symbol "ICCH". For more information about ICC Holdings, visit http://ir.iccholdingsinc.com.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This press release, and oral statements made regarding the subjects of this release, contains forward-looking statements, within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, or the Reform Act, which may include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the Company's, plans, objectives, expectations and intentions and other statements contained in this press release that are not historical facts, including statements identified by words such as "believe," "plan," "seek," "expect," "intend," "estimate," "anticipate," "will," and similar expressions. All statements addressing operating performance, events, or developments that the Company expects or anticipates will occur in the future, including statements relating to revenue and profit growth, product and segment expansion, regulatory approval in connection with expansion, and market share, as well as statements expressing optimism or pessimism about future operating results, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Reform Act. The forward-looking statements are based on management's current views and assumptions regarding future events and contingencies and changes in circumstances, many of which are beyond the Company's control. The statements in this press release are made as of the date of this press release, even if subsequently made available by the Company on its website or otherwise. The Company does not undertake any obligation to update or revise these statements to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this press release.

Although the Company does not make forward-looking statements unless it believes it has a reasonable basis for doing so, the Company cannot guarantee their accuracy. The foregoing factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from those described in these forward-looking statements. For a list of other factors which could affect the Company's results, see the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, "Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," including "Forward-Looking Information," set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018. No undue reliance should be placed on any forward-looking statements.

ICC Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

	As of				
		March 31, 2019		December 31, 2018	
		(Unaudited)			
Assets					
Investments and cash:					
Fixed maturity securities (amortized cost - \$88,333,116 at 3/31/2019 and \$89,252,906 at 12/31/2018)	\$	89,927,455	\$	88,981,159	
Common stocks (cost - \$13,562,127 at 3/31/2019 and \$13,572,713 at 12/31/2018)		13,701,398		11,843,223	
Other invested assets		243,200		154,200	
Property held for investment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation of \$248,310 at 3/31/2019 and \$222,825 at 12/31/2018		3,560,838		3,586,273	
Cash and cash equivalents		6,409,153		4,644,784	
Total investments and cash		113,842,044		109,209,639	
Accrued investment income		681,569		648,321	
Premiums and reinsurance balances receivable, net of allowances for uncollectible amounts of \$50,000 at 3/31/2019 and 12/31/2018		22,081,040		21,404,344	
Ceded unearned premiums		783,694		796,065	
Reinsurance balances recoverable on unpaid losses and settlement expenses, net of allowances for uncollectible amounts of \$0 at 3/31/2019 and 12/31/2018		15,108,689		6,735,964	
Federal income taxes		1,253,256		1,868,669	
Deferred policy acquisition costs, net		5,243,470		5,247,188	
Property and equipment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation of \$5,250,364 at 3/31/2019 and \$5,099,090 at 12/31/2018		3,229,627		3,332,810	
Other assets		1,046,814		1,040,193	
Total assets	\$	163,270,203	\$	150,283,193	
Liabilities and Equity					
Liabilities:					
Unpaid losses and settlement expenses	\$	61,017,342	\$	51,447,44	
Unearned premiums		29,983,133		29,972,62	
Reinsurance balances payable		4,544,231		993,00	
Corporate debt		3,484,606		3,484,60	
Accrued expenses		2,570,332		4,536,21	
Other liabilities		1,217,501		1,256,00	
Total liabilities		102,817,145		91,689,89	
Equity:					
Common stock ¹		35,000		35,00	
Treasury stock, at cost ²		(3,001,395)		(2,999,99	
Additional paid-in capital		32,545,836		32,505,42	
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) earnings, net of tax		1,259,530		(1,580,970	
Retained earnings		32,603,152		33,680,70	
Less: Unearned Employee Stock Ownership Plan shares at cost ³		(2,989,065)		(3,046,855	
Total equity		60,453,058		58,593,29	
Total liabilities and equity	\$	163,270,203	\$	150,283,193	

¹Par value \$0.01; authorized: 2019 - 10,000,000 shares and 2018 – 10,000,000 shares; issued: 2019 - 3,500,000 shares and 2018 – 3,500,000 shares; outstanding: 2019 - 3,004,273 and 2018 - 2,992,734 shares. ²2019 –196,821 shares and 2018 – 196,721 shares ²2019 –298,906 shares and 2018 – 304,685 shares

ICC Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings and Comprehensive Earnings (Unaudited)

	For the Three-Months Ended March 31,			
	 2019		2018	
Net premiums earned	\$ 12,445,914	\$	11,296,944	
Net investment income	795,373		702,884	
Net realized investment (losses) gains	(47,426)		1,102,130	
Net unrealized gains on equity securities	1,840,418		_	
Other (loss) income	(53,887)		56,678	
Consolidated revenues	 14,980,391		13,158,636	
Losses and settlement expenses	 9,607,290		7,995,849	
Policy acquisition costs and other operating expenses	4,850,186		4,137,351	
Interest expense on debt	32,014		48,161	
General corporate expenses	143,161		136,250	
Total expenses	 14,632,651		12,317,611	
Earnings before income taxes	 347,740		841,025	
Total income tax expense	 58,993		165,198	
Net earnings	\$ 288,747	\$	675,827	
Other comprehensive earnings (loss), net of tax	1,474,209		(2,567,077)	
Comprehensive earnings (loss)	\$ 1,762,956	\$	(1,891,250)	
Earnings per share:				
Basic:				
Basic net earnings per share	\$ 0.10	\$	0.21	
Diluted:				
Diluted net earnings per share	\$ 0.10	\$	0.21	
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:				
Basic	2,999,068		3,173,807	
Diluted	3,000,770		3,174,234	