

ERIE INDEMNITY CO
Form 8-K
January 03, 2011

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):

December 31, 2010

Erie Indemnity Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania

0-24000

25-0466020

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

100 Erie Insurance Place, Erie, Pennsylvania

16530

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(814)870-2000

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:

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- 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.

The following is an update of the disclosure set forth in the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on November 4, 2010:

On December 31, 2010, the registrant, Erie Indemnity Company ("Indemnity"), completed the sale to the Erie Insurance Exchange (the "Exchange") of all of the outstanding capital stock of Indemnity's wholly owned property and casualty subsidiaries -- Erie Insurance Company, Erie Insurance Company of New York and Erie Insurance Property & Casualty Company (collectively, the "Wholly Owned Subsidiaries") -- pursuant to the previously disclosed Wholly Owned Subsidiaries Stock Purchase Agreement between Indemnity and the Exchange dated November 4, 2010 (the "P&C Stock Purchase Agreement").

Indemnity received cash consideration from the Exchange at closing of \$293 million based on the "Estimated Purchase Price" provided for in the P&C Stock Purchase Agreement. Within ninety (90) days following this closing date, the financials of the Wholly Owned Subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 2010, will be finalized. In the event that the final December 31, 2010, GAAP book value of the Wholly Owned Subsidiaries is higher than the Estimated Purchase Price, the Exchange will pay Indemnity the difference; if it is lower, Indemnity will pay the Exchange the difference.

Indemnity manages the operations of the Exchange, a Pennsylvania domiciled reciprocal insurance exchange, as a result of Indemnity's role as attorney-in-fact for the subscribers (policyholders) at the Exchange. There will not be any impact, as a result of this sale, on the existing reinsurance pooling agreement between the Exchange and the Wholly Owned Subsidiaries, nor will there be any impact to policyholders of the Exchange or any of the Wholly Owned Subsidiaries, the Exchange's independent insurance agents or Indemnity's employees as a result of the sale.

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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.

January 3, 2011

Erie Indemnity Company

By: *Marcia A. Dall*

Name: Marcia A. Dall

Title: Executive Vice President & CFO