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AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC Form 8-K September 23, 2010

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): September 22, 2010 AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 1-13653 31-1544320

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

One East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, OH

45202

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code 513-579-2121

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

Section 1 Registrant's Business and Operations Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On September 22, 2010, American Financial Group, Inc. (the Registrant) entered into a Purchase Agreement (the Purchase Agreement) by and among the Registrant and Banc of America Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters, relating to the issuance and sale of \$132,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Registrant s 7% Senior Notes due 2050 (the Notes). The Notes will be issued under an Indenture dated as of November 12, 1997 between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (the Original Indenture), as supplemented by the Supplemental Indenture dated as of December 3, 1997, the Second Supplemental Indenture dated as of February 3, 2004, Third Supplemental Indenture dated as of June 17, 2009 and as proposed to be supplemented by the Fourth Supplemental Indenture to be dated as of September 27, 2010 (the Original Indenture, as supplemented through and including the Fourth Supplemental Indenture, the Indenture). The Notes have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933 (the Act) pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-157649) previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Act.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Financial statements of business acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) **Pro forma financial information.** Not applicable.
- (c) Exhibits.
 - Purchase Agreement dated as of September 22, 2010 among the Registrant and Banc of America Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC as Representatives of the several underwriters
 - 4.1 Form of Fourth Supplemental Indenture between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee
 - 4.2 Form of 7% Senior Notes due 2050 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit A to Exhibit 4.1)
 - 5 Opinion of Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL
 - 23.1 Consents of Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL (included in Exhibit 5)
 - 23.2 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

Date: September 23, 2010 By: /s/ Karl J. Grafe

Karl J. Grafe Vice President

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