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SCHEDULE 14A

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(Amendment No)

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HC2 Holdings, Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 1, 2020

HC2 HOLDINGS, INC.

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

001-35210
(Commission File Number)

54-1708481
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

450 Park Avenue, 30th Floor
New York, NY 10022
(Address of principal executive offices)

(212) 235-2690
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	HCHC	New York Stock Exchange

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

Emerging growth company

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.

Item 8.01. Other Events

On July 1, 2020, the Company issued a press release providing updates on strategic initiatives. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Item No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated July 1, 2020, titled "HC2 Holdings Provides Update on Strategic Initiatives"
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the inline XBRL document).

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.

Date: July 1, 2020

HC2 Holdings, Inc. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Michael J. Sena

Name: Michael J. Sena

Title: Chief Financial Officer



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HC2 Holdings Provides Update on Strategic Initiatives

New York, New York – July 1, 2020 – HC2 Holdings, Inc. (“HC2” or the “Company”) (NYSE: HCHC), a diversified holding company, today provided an update on previously announced strategic initiatives to monetize assets and further reduce debt.

After advanced discussions with a potential counterparty, HC2’s Board of Directors, supported by its management team, has elected to let the exclusivity period with the counterparty to purchase its 100%-owned indirect subsidiaries Continental Insurance Group Ltd. and Continental General Insurance Company (collectively, “Continental Insurance”) lapse. HC2 continues to review strategic alternatives for Continental Insurance and DBM Global Inc., which may or may not include a potential sale, as well as other options that would be in the best interests of HC2. Net proceeds from any potential divestiture would be used to reduce debt at the HC2 holding company level.

“As part of the Board’s ongoing and comprehensive review of HC2 and its subsidiaries, we determined that the best course of action for Continental Insurance was to continue to examine additional strategic alternatives,” said Wayne Barr, Jr., interim Chief Executive Officer of HC2. “Our Board continues to freshly evaluate all strategic options across our business in order to further reduce our leverage, strengthen our capital structure and unlock additional value for our stockholders.”

No assurances can be given that the strategic review process will result in a transaction or other strategic change or outcome for either Continental Insurance or DBM Global. The Company does not intend to discuss or disclose further developments regarding the strategic review process unless and until its Board of Directors has approved a specific course of action or HC2 has otherwise determined that further disclosure is appropriate or required by law.

About HC2

HC2 Holdings, Inc. is a publicly traded (NYSE:HCHC) diversified holding company, which seeks opportunities to acquire and grow businesses that can generate long-term sustainable free cash flow and attractive returns in order to maximize value for all stakeholders. HC2 has a diverse array of operating subsidiaries across multiple reportable segments, including Construction, Energy, Telecommunications, Life Sciences, Broadcasting, Insurance and Other. HC2’s largest operating subsidiary is DBM Global Inc., a family of companies providing fully integrated structural and steel construction services. Founded in 1994, HC2 is headquartered in New York, New York. Learn more about HC2 and its portfolio companies at www.hc2.com.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Safe Harbor Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This press release contains, and certain oral statements made by our representatives from time to time may contain, forward-looking statements. Generally, forward-looking statements include information describing actions, events, results, strategies and expectations and are generally identifiable by use of the words “believes,” “expects,” “intends,” “anticipates,” “plans,” “seeks,” “estimates,” “projects,” “may,” “will,” “could,” “might,” or “continues” or similar expressions. The forward-looking statements in this press release include, without limitation, any statements regarding HC2’s expectations regarding building shareholder value, future cash flow, longer-term growth and invested assets, the timing and effects of redeeming the 11.5% Notes, reducing HC2’s leverage and interest expense, the timing or prospects of any refinancing of HC2’s remaining corporate debt, and any statements regarding HC2’s expectations regarding the strategic initiatives review process for Continental Insurance and/or DBM Global. Such statements are based on the beliefs and assumptions of HC2’s management and the management of HC2’s subsidiaries and portfolio companies. The Company believes these judgments are reasonable, but you should understand that these statements are not guarantees of performance or results, and the Company’s actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements due to a variety of important factors, both positive and negative, that may be revised or supplemented in subsequent statements and reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), including in our reports on Forms 10-K, 10-Q, and 8-K. Such important factors include, without limitation, issues related to the restatement of our financial statements; the fact that we have historically identified material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting, and any inability to remediate future material weaknesses; capital market conditions, including the ability of HC2 and HC2’s subsidiaries to raise capital; the ability of HC2’s subsidiaries and portfolio companies to generate sufficient net income and cash flows to make upstream cash distributions; volatility in the trading price of HC2 common stock; the ability of HC2 and its subsidiaries and portfolio companies to identify any suitable future acquisition or disposition opportunities; our ability to realize efficiencies, cost savings, income and margin improvements, growth, economies of scale and other anticipated benefits of strategic transactions; difficulties related to the integration of financial reporting of acquired or target businesses; difficulties completing pending and future acquisitions and dispositions; effects of litigation, indemnification claims, and other contingent liabilities; changes in regulations and tax laws; and risks that may affect the performance of the operating subsidiaries and portfolio companies of HC2. Although HC2 believes its expectations and assumptions regarding its future operating performance are reasonable, there can be no assurance that the expectations reflected herein will be achieved. These risks and other important factors discussed under the caption “Risk Factors” in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC, and our other reports filed with the SEC could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements made in this press release.

You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements attributable to HC2 or persons acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the foregoing cautionary statements. All such statements speak only as of the date made, and unless legally required, HC2 undertakes no obligation to update or revise

publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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