ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO HOLDINGS LTD Form 8-K September 02, 2010

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# 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 2, 2010

#### ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY HOLDINGS, LTD

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Bermuda** (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-32938

(Commission File Number)

**98-0481737** (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

## 27 Richmond Road Pembroke HM 08, Bermuda

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (441) 278-5400

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))
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#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On September 2, 2010, Allied World Assurance Company Holdings, Ltd (the Company) released its 2009 Global Loss Triangles report. A copy of this report is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is also available at the Investor Relations section of the Company s website at www.awac.com.

The information in Item 7.01 of this report is being furnished, not filed, pursuant to Regulation FD. Accordingly, the information in Item 7.01 of this report will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference. The furnishing of the information in this report is not intended to, and does not, constitute a determination or admission by the Company that the information in this report is material or complete, or that investors should consider this information before making an investment decision with respect to any security of the Company.

## **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

Any forward-looking statements made in the report in Exhibit 99.1 reflect our current views with respect to future events and financial performance and are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements involve risks and uncertainties, which may cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in these statements. For example, our forward-looking statements could be affected by pricing and policy term trends; increased competition; the impact of acts of terrorism and acts of war; greater frequency or severity of unpredictable catastrophic events; negative rating agency actions; the adequacy of our loss reserves; the Company or its subsidiaries becoming subject to significant income taxes in the United States or elsewhere; changes in regulations or tax laws; changes in the availability, cost or quality of reinsurance or retrocessional coverage; adverse general economic conditions; and judicial, legislative, political and other governmental developments, as well as management s response to these factors, and other factors identified in our filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which they are made. We are under no obligation (and expressly disclaim any such obligation) to update or revise any forward-looking statement that may be made from time to time, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

# Exhibit Number Description

99.1 2009 Global Loss Triangles report.

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#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

# ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE COMPANY HOLDINGS, LTD

Dated: September 2, 2010 By: /s/ Wesley D. Dupont

Name:Wesley D. Dupont

Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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