VESTA INSURANCE GROUP INC Form 8-K April 27, 2005

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 April 21, 2005

(Date of earliest event reported)

VESTA INSURANCE GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 63-1097283

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3760 River Run Drive 35243
Birmingham, Alabama (Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

(205) 970-7000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 3.02 - Unregistered sales of equity securities

On April 21, 2005, we entered into an agreement to exchange 505,286 shares of our common stock for \$2.5 million principal amount of our 8.525% Deferrable Capital Securities plus accrued interest. As a result of this transaction, the Company will realize approximately a \$0.9 million gain in the second quarter of 2005. The common shares were delivered from treasury on April 22, 2005. The transaction was not registered under the Securities Act of 1933 in reliance on the exemption afforded by Section 3(a)(9) thereof.

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, thereto duly authorized.

Dated as of April 27, 2005.

VESTA INSURANCE GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ John W. McCullough
Its: Vice President --

Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary