

HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP INC/DE
Form 8-K
March 17, 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**

March 16, 2010

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

Delaware

001-13958

13-3317783

**(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)**

**(Commission
File Number)**

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

**One Hartford Plaza, Hartford, Connecticut 06155
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (860) 547-5000
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))**
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Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 16, 2010, Fitch Ratings affirmed all debt and insurer financial strength ratings for The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. (the Company) and its primary life and property/casualty insurance subsidiaries, and also maintained its negative rating outlook. On March 17, 2010, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services announced that it had affirmed the financial strength ratings of the operating subsidiaries of the Company and the ratings on the Company's debt, but had changed the Company's ratings outlook to negative. On that same date, Moody's Investors Service affirmed the credit ratings of the Company and its principal operating subsidiaries.

These ratings are not a recommendation to buy or hold any of the Company's securities and they may be revised or revoked at any time at the sole discretion of the rating organization.

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.

THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC.
(Registrant)

March 17, 2010

By: /s/ RICARDO A. ANZALDUA
Name: Ricardo A. Anzaldua
Title: Senior Vice President and Corporate Secretary