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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): April 27, 2012

Alleghany Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

1-9371 (Commission

51-0283071 (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

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7 Times Square Tower, 17th Floor, New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (212) 752-1356

10036 (Zip Code)

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Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

At the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Alleghany Corporation (Alleghany) held on April 27, 2012: (i) four directors were elected to serve for three-year terms on the Board of Directors of Alleghany, (ii) Alleghany s 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan was approved, (iii) the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as Alleghany s independent registered public accounting firm for the year 2012 was ratified, and (iv) an advisory vote on Alleghany executive compensation was approved. Set forth below are the voting results for these proposals:

| | | For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|-------|---|------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
| (i) | Election of Directors | | | | |
| | (a) John G. Foos | 14,332,557 | 56,266 | 54,594 | 1,005,227 |
| | (b) William K. Lavin | 13,974,103 | 414,731 | 54,583 | 1,005,227 |
| | (c) Phillip M. Martineau | 13,949,291 | 439,610 | 54,516 | 1,005,227 |
| | (d) Raymond L.M. Wong | 14,006,952 | 381,421 | 55,044 | 1,005,227 |
| (ii) | Approval of Alleghany s 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan | 13,626,935 | 747,984 | 68,498 | 1,005,227 |
| (iii) | Ratification of the selection of Ernst & Young LLP as Alleghany s independent registered public accounting firm for the year 2012 | 15,342,015 | 23,620 | 83,010 | N/A |
| (iv) | Advisory vote on Alleghany s executive compensation | 13,834,167 | 496,438 | 112,812 | 1,005,227 |

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 1, 2012

ALLEGHANY CORPORATION

By: /s/ Roger B. Gorham Name: Roger B. Gorham

Title: Senior Vice President and chief financial officer