

**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): May 31, 2019

Palomar Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 001-38873

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

83-3972551
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

7979 Ivanhoe Avenue, Suite 500
La Jolla, California 92037
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(619) 567-5290
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR 230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.12b-2).

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 Selection 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	PLMR	Nasdaq Global Select Market

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 31, 2019, Palomar Holdings, Inc. (the "Company" or "Palomar") issued a press release announcing the successful completion of certain reinsurance programs renewing and incepting at June 1, 2019. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The Company renewed \$470 million of its core reinsurance program, inclusive of Torrey Pines Re, Palomar's catastrophe bond, and purchased \$200 million of incremental limit at the top of its reinsurance tower. Effective June 1, 2019, the Company's reinsurance program provides for coverage up to \$1.05 billion for earthquake events. This incremental limit allows Palomar to maintain cushion above the 1:250 year peak zone probable maximum loss and significantly exceeds simulated losses from any recorded historical event. As of March 31, 2019, a theoretical earthquake equivalent to the 1994 Northridge or 1906 San Francisco earthquake would generate a gross loss of \$669 million or \$580 million, respectively.

Other highlights of the placement include:

- The maintenance of a \$5.0 million per event retention;
- Prepaid reinstatements on all renewing and new layers where applicable; and
- Cascading limit of \$331 million.

Additionally, Palomar successfully completed the inaugural placement of its Specialty Homeowners Facility ("SHF") to provide quota share and excess of loss reinsurance specifically for its Specialty Homeowners business in Texas, Mississippi and Alabama. The SHF includes the flexibility to cover additional states that Palomar has identified as expansion opportunities.

Palomar's reinsurance panel currently consists of approximately 80 reinsurers who either have an "A-" (Excellent) (Outlook Stable) or better financial strength rating from A.M. Best or post collateral.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release, dated May 31, 2019



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.

PALOMAR HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: May 31, 2019

/s/ Mac Armstrong

Mac Armstrong
Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)



Palomar Holdings, Inc. Announces the Successful Completion of Reinsurance Programs

LA JOLLA, Calif., May 31, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) — Specialty property insurer Palomar Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: PLMR) ('Palomar' or the 'Company') today announced the successful completion of certain reinsurance programs renewing and incepting at June 1, 2019.

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"We are very pleased to successfully complete our 6/1 renewal," commented Mac Armstrong, Chief Executive Office and Founder. "We were able to procure an incremental \$200 million of limit to buttress our growth with the requisite reinsurance capital, preserve our retention at \$5.0 million per event and introduce a well-received new quota share and excess of loss program in the SHF. The SHF is emblematic of our strategy of generating a balanced combination of fee and underwriting income."

Mr. Armstrong continued, "This renewal cycle has seen prices tighten and we are thrilled that our non-loss affected layers of reinsurance renewed flat to modestly up on an exposure adjusted basis. Our loss impacted layer, a \$10.0 million layer of wind-only coverage attaching at excess of \$5.0 million, did see an increase of approximately 15%. Our renewal pricing is a testament to the unique attributes of our program and the historical results we have generated for our reinsurance partners."

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Palomar President, Heath Fisher offered, "Palomar continues to thoughtfully refine and improve its reinsurance program. Our robust panel of reinsurers have been instrumental in our success to date. The 6/1 renewal was no different and we are very grateful for their support."

About Palomar Holdings, Inc.

Palomar Holdings, Inc. is the ultimate parent and insurance holding company of its operating subsidiaries, Palomar Specialty Insurance Company and Palomar Specialty Reinsurance Company Bermuda Ltd. Palomar is an innovative insurer that focuses on the provision of specialty property insurance for residential and commercial clients. Palomar's underwriting and analytical acumen allow it to concentrate on certain markets that it believes are underserved by other insurance companies, such as the markets for earthquake, wind and flood insurance. Based in La Jolla, California, the company is an admitted carrier in 25 states. Palomar Specialty Insurance Company has an A.M. Best financial strength rating of "A-" (Excellent). To learn more about us, visit www.palomarspecialty.com.

Forward-looking Statements

Except for the historical information, the matters discussed herein are forward-looking statements made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. Such forward-looking statements are based on information presently available to the Company's management and are current only as of the date made. Actual results could also differ materially from those anticipated as a result of a number of factors, including, but not limited to, those discussed in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2019, and subsequent reports filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Commission**"). For those reasons, undue reliance should not be placed on any forward-looking statement. The Company assumes no duty or obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement, although it may do so from time to time as management believes is warranted or as may be required by applicable securities law. Any such updates or revisions may be made by the registrant by filing reports with the Commission, through the issuance of press releases or by other methods of public disclosure.

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