AMERICAN EQUITY INVESTMENT LIFE HOLDING CO Form 8-K/A March 04, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 23, 2011

AMERICAN EQUITY INVESTMENT LIFE HOLDING COMPANY (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Iowa	001-31911	42-1447959
(State or Other Jurisdiction	(Commission	(IRS Employer
of Incorporation)	File Number)	Indentification No.)

6000 Westown Parkway, West Des Moines, Iowa 50266 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(515) 221-0002 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

In a Form 8-K filed on February 23, 2011, American Equity Investment Life Holding Company (the "Company") attached and incorporated by reference as Exhibit 99.1 a copy of its Press Release dated February 23, 2011 with respect to its financial results for the fourth quarter ending December 31, 2010. The press release stated in part that the risk-based capital ("RBC") ratio at December 31, 2010 was 350% of company action level compared to 337% at December 31, 2009. Our prior report and the Press Release dated February 23, 2011 are hereby amended by replacing 350% with 339% as the RBC ratio at December 31, 2010.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 4, 2011 AMERICAN EQUITY INVESTMENT LIFE HOLDING COMPANY By: /s/ John M. Matovina Name: John M. Matovina Title: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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