NAVIGATORS GROUP INC Form 8-K January 18, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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 reported event): January 13, 2005

The Navigators Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its chapter)

DELAWARE0-1588613-3138397(State of organization)(Commission File Number)(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Penn Plaza, New York, NY
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (914) 933-6025

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):

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry Into A Material Definitive Agreement

On January 13, 2005 the New York Insurance Department approved, effective December 31, 2004, an insurance commutation agreement between Navigators Insurance Company, a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of the Registrant and Somerset Insurance Limited, a Bermuda company controlled by the Registrant s Chairman. The commutation agreement provides, among other things, that each party thereto releases the other party from all liabilities and obligations arising under certain reinsurance contracts between the parties. The commutation agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10-1.

SIGNATURE

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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 NAVIGATORS GROUP, INC. (Registrant)

/s/ Bradley D. Wiley

Name: Bradley D. Wiley

Title: Senior Vice President, Financial Compliance

Officer and Secretary

Date: January 18, 2005

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