AMERICAN SAFETY INSURANCE HOLDINGS LTD Form S-8 POS October 04, 2013

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 4, 2013

Registration No. 333-145541

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

POST EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT Under The Securities Act of 1933

AMERICAN SAFETY INSURANCE HOLDINGS, LTD. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Bermuda (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) Not applicable (IRS Employer Identification No.)

The Boyle Building, 2nd Floor 31 Queen Street Hamilton, Bermuda HM 11 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

> 2007 Incentive Stock Plan (Full title of the Plan)

Timothy C. Faries Appleby Canon's Court 22 Victoria Street Hamilton HM EX, Bermuda (441) 298-3216 (Name, address, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one): Large accelerated filer "Accelerated filer T Non-accelerated filer ^{..} (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company "

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 relates to the Registration Statement Form S-8 (File No. 333-145541) (the "Registration Statement"), dated as of August 17, 2007, pertaining to the registration of 2,000,000 common shares of American Safety Insurance Holdings, Ltd. ("ASI"), par value \$0.01 per share.

On October 3, 2013, pursuant to the terms of an agreement and plan of merger, dated as of June 2, 2013, by and among ASI, Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited ("Fairfax") and Fairfax Bermuda Holdings Ltd. ("Merger Sub"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Fairfax, Merger Sub merged with and into ASI (the "Merger") and all common shares of ASI were canceled and converted into the right to receive \$30.25 per share in cash.

As a result of the Merger, ASI has terminated the offering of common stock pursuant to the Registration Statement. In accordance with undertakings made by ASI in the Registration Statement to remove from registration, by means of post-effective amendments, any of the securities that remain unsold at the termination of the offering, ASI hereby removes from registration all of the common shares covered by this Registration Statement, which were not issued by ASI pursuant to the Registration Statement and related prospectus. The common shares were originally registered in connection with the 2007 Incentive Stock Plan of ASI.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized on October 3, 2013

AMERICAN SAFETY INSURANCE HOLDINGS, LTD.

By:	/s/ Nicholas C. Bentley
Name:	Nicholas C. Bentley
Title:	President

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant in the capacities indicated.

Principal Executive Officer:

By:/s/ Nicholas C. BentleyName:Nicholas C. BentleyTitle:PresidentDate:October 3, 2013

Principal Financial and Accounting Officer:

By:	/s/ John Bator
Name:	John Bator
Title:	Vice President
Date:	October 3, 2013

Directors:

By:	/s/ John Bator
Name:	John Bator
Date:	October 3, 2013

By: /s/ Charles Collis Name: Charles Collis Date: October 3, 2013

By: /s/ Ronald Schokking Name: Ronald Schokking Date: October 3, 2013 Authorized Representative in the United States:

By: /s/ Nicholas C. Bentley Name: Nicholas C. Bentley Title: President Date: October 3, 2013