REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA INC Form 8-A12B August 07, 2008

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-A

# FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Missouri 43-1627032

(State of Incorporation or Organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1370 Timberlake Manor Parkway, Chesterfield, Missouri

63017

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class
to be so Registered
Common Stock, Class B, \$0.01 par value
Series B-1 Preferred Share Purchase Rights

Name of Each Exchange on Which
Each Class is to be Registered
New York Stock Exchange
New York Stock Exchange

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box. [X]

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box. [ ]

Securities Act registration statement file number to which 333-152828

this form relates:

(If applicable)

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

None

(Title of class)

## ITEM 1. Description Of Registrant s Securities To Be Registered.

The description under the heading Description of RGA Capital Stock relating to Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated s (the Company ) class A common stock, \$0.01 par value per share and class B common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, as applicable, in the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-152828) filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on August 6, 2008, as amended from time to time (the Registration Statement), is incorporated herein by reference.

The description under the heading Description of RGA Capital Stock Description of Section 382 Shareholder Rights Plan, Anti-Takeover Effect, and Possible Effect on Liquidity relating to the Company's Series A-1 Preferred Share Purchase Rights and the Company Series B-1 Preferred Share Purchase Rights, as applicable, in the Registration Statement, is incorporated herein by reference.

Any form of prospectus subsequently filed by the Company pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, which includes a description of the securities to be registered hereunder shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this registration statement.

### ITEM 2. Exhibits.

See exhibit index.

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# **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

# REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED

Date: August 6, 2008 By: /s/ Jack B. Lay

Jack B. Lay

Senior Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

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## **EXHIBIT INDEX**

#### Exhibit No.

# Description of Exhibit

- Proposed Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of RGA, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 of the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on June 5, 2008.
- 2 Proposed Amended and Restated Bylaws of RGA, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.4 of the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on June 5, 2008.
- 3 Form of Amended and Restated Section 382 Rights Agreement between Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated and Mellon Investor Services LLC, as Rights Agent, incorporated by reference to Appendix C of the Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-151390) filed with the SEC on June 3, 2008, as amended from time to time, which includes the form of Amended and Restated Certificate of Designation, Preferences and Rights of Series A-1 Junior Participating Preferred Stock as Exhibit A-1, the form of Certificate of Designation, Preferences and Rights of Series B-1 Junior Participating Preferred Stock as Exhibit A-2, the form of Right Certificate for Class A Rights as Exhibit B-1 and the Form of Right Certificate for Class B Rights as Exhibit B-2. Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Section 382 Rights Agreement, as so amended, printed Right Certificates will not be mailed until as soon as practicable after the earlier of the tenth day following the date of the earlier of either public announcement that a person or group (except for certain grandfathered or exempted persons) has acquired beneficial ownership of 5% or more (by value) of RGA stock (as defined in the agreement) or the close of business on the tenth business day (or such later date as may be determined by action of the Board of Directors) after a person commences, or announces its intention to commence, a tender offer or exchange offer the consummation of which would result in the beneficial ownership by a person or group (except for certain grandfathered or exempted persons) of 5% or more (by value) of RGA stock.
- Form of stock certificate for the Company s class A common stock, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4 of the Company s Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on July 17, 2008.
- Form of stock certificate for the Company s class B common stock, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 5 of the Company s Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on July 17, 2008.