AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD Form 8-K July 19, 2016

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): July 18, 2016

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Exact Name Of Registrant As Specified In Charter)

Bermuda 001-31721 98-0395986

(State of Incorporation) (Commission File No.) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

92 Pitts Bay Road

Pembroke, Bermuda HM 08

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(441) 496-2600

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or 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):

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

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 18, 2016, AXIS Capital Holdings Limited, a Bermuda company, issued the press release attached hereto providing a preliminary estimate of catastrophe and weather-related net losses impacting second quarter 2016 financial results.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated July 18, 2016

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.

Dated: July 18, 2016

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

By:/s/ Richard T. Gieryn, Jr. Richard T. Gieryn, Jr. General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description of Document

Press release dated July 18, 99.1

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