## 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

DECEMBER 20, 2002 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**BERMUDA** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 1-8993

94-2708455 (Commission (I.R.S. Employer file number) Identification No.)

28 GATES STREET, WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, VERMONT 05001 (Address of principal executive offices)

(802) 295-4500 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

### ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits. The following exhibits are furnished herewith:

EXHIBIT NO. DESCRIPTION

99(a) Text of press release issued by OneBeacon Insurance Group, LLC. ("OneBeacon") dated December 20, 2002.

## ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

In a press release dated December 20, 2002, OneBeacon (the "Company"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of White Mountains Insurance Group, Ltd. (the "Registrant") announced that a jury in Federal District Court in Arkansas returned a verdict against the Company in a case involving a claim by an insurance agent that its agency agreement had been improperly terminated in 1999. The award against the Company consisted of approximately \$1.2 million in compensatory damages and \$32.6 million in punitive damages. OneBeacon strongly believes there are meritorious grounds for setting aside the verdict and intends to vigorously pursue those matters with the District Court. OneBeacon's press release dated December 20, 2002 is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99(a) and is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

# **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 thereunto duly authorized.

WHITE MOUNTAINS INSURANCE GROUP, LTD.

Dated: December 30, 2002 By: /s/ J. BRIAN PALMER

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J. Brian Palmer

Chief Accounting Officer

## [LETTERHEAD OF ONEBEACON INSURANCE]

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## ONEBEACON TO APPEAL VERDICT

BOSTON (DECEMBER 20, 2002) - OneBeacon Insurance, a wholly owned subsidiary of White Mountains Insurance Group (NYSE: WTM), today announced that a jury in Federal District Court in Arkansas returned a verdict against the Company in a case involving a claim by an insurance agent that its agency agreement had been improperly terminated in 1999. The award against the Company consisted of approximately \$1.2 million in compensatory damages and \$32.6 million in punitive damages.

OneBeacon strongly believes there are meritorious grounds for setting aside the verdict and intends to vigorously pursue those matters with the District Court. If necessary, the company will appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.

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Headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts, OneBeacon Insurance Group is committed to being the leading independent agency property-casualty insurance group in the Northeast. With roots dating back 170 years and an A.M. Best rating of A (excellent), OneBeacon offers a wide range of personal, commercial and specialty products and services, which are sold through select property-casualty independent agents. Specialty operations are conducted on a national basis.

OneBeacon is a wholly owned subsidiary of White Mountains Insurance Group, Ltd., of Hamilton, Bermuda (NYSE: WTM), whose principal executive offices are in White River Junction, Vermont.

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Safe Harbor Statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995

This press release may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included or referenced in this release which address activities, events or developments which we expect or anticipate will or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. The words "believe," "intend," "expect," "anticipate," "project," "estimate," "predict" and similar expressions are also intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include, among others, statements with respect to White Mountains':

- o growth in book value per share or return on equity;
- o business strategy;
- o financial and operating targets or plans;
- incurred losses and the adequacy of its loss and loss adjustment expense reserves;
- o projections of revenues, income (or loss), earnings (or loss) per share, dividends, market share or other financial forecasts;
- o expansion and growth of its business and operations; and
- o future capital expenditures

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These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by White Mountains in light of its experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors believed to be appropriate in the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will conform to its expectations and predictions are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations, including:

- o the continued availability of capital and financing;
- o general economic, market or business conditions;
- business opportunities (or lack thereof) that may be presented to it and pursued;
- o competitive forces, including the conduct of other property and casualty insurers and reinsurers;
- o changes in domestic or foreign laws or regulations applicable to White Mountains, its competitors or its clients;
- an economic downturn or other economic conditions adversely affecting its financial position;
- o loss reserves established subsequently proving to have been inadequate; and
- o other factors, most of which are beyond White Mountains' control.

Consequently, all of the forward-looking statements made in this press release are qualified by these cautionary statements, and there can be no assurance that the actual results or developments anticipated by White Mountains will be realized or, even if substantially realized, that they will have the expected consequences to, or effects on, White Mountains or its business or operations. White Mountains assumes no obligation to update publicly any such forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.