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Form 6-K SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rules 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Dated: January 18th, 2007

ALTANA Aktiengesellschaft

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Am Pilgerrain 15 D-61352 Bad Homburg v. d. Höhe Federal Republic of Germany

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(Address of principal executive offices)
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This Report on Form 6-K is hereby incorporated by reference into the Registrant s Registration Statements on Form S-8, dated September 13, 2002 (File No. 333-99485), dated September 24, 2003 (File No. 333-109074), dated September 24, 2004 (File No. 333-119240), and dated September 26, 2005 (File No. 333-128583).

This Report on Form 6-K contains:

Letter to the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. dated January 16th, 2007

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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.

ALTANA Aktiengesellschaft

Dated: January 18th, 2007 By: /s/ Dr. Hermann Küllmer

Name: Dr. Hermann Küllmer

Title: Chief Financial Officer and Member

of the Management Board

By: /s/ Dr. Rudolf Pietzke

Name: Dr. Rudolf Pietzke Title: General Counsel

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January 16th, 2007

ALTANA Aktiengesellschaft

Dear Mr. Jekel,

in accordance with Section 204.33 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual we hereby submit information about the re-purchase and re-sale of ALTANA shares by ALTANA AG during the fourth quarter of 2006. Shares have been re-purchased and re-sold exclusively in transactions executed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

Number of treasury shares held by ALTANA AG as per September 30th, 2006:

4,413,831

Number of shares re-purchased from October 1st to December 31st, 2006:

Number of shares disposed of from October 1st to December 31st, 2006:

623

Number of treasury shares held by ALTANA AG on December 31st, 2006: 4,413,208

With kind regards, ALTANA AG

/s/ Klaus Malkomes

/s/ Dr. Rudolf Pietzke

Dr. Rudolf Pietzke

Klaus Malkomes

Vorsitzender des Aufsichtsrats:

Justus Mische

Vorstand:

Dr. h. c. Nikolaus Schweickart (Vorsitzender)

Dr. Hermann Küllmer,

Dr. Hans-Joachim Lohrisch,

Dr. Matthias Wolfgruber

Sitz und Registergericht:

Bad Homburg v. d. Höhe, HRB-Nr. 1933