

Nielsen Robert R
Form 4
March 25, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Nielsen Robert R

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
CENTURY ALUMINUM CO
[CENX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
CENTURY ALUMINUM
COMPANY, 2511 GARDEN
ROAD, BLDG. A, SUITE 200
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/24/2009

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Exec. VP and General Counsel

MONTEREY, CA 93940

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/24/2009		A	(A) or (D) Amount 60,177 (1)	Price \$ 74,365 (2)	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2009		F	(A) or (D) Amount 27,350 (3)	Price \$ 1.97 (3)	D	
Common Stock					176.4855 (4)	I	401(k)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY
2511 GARDEN ROAD, BLDG. A, SUITE 200
MONTEREY, CA 93940

Exec. VP and General Counsel

Signatures

William J. Leatherberry, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert R.
Nielsen

03/25/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Represents shares of common stock acquired by the Reporting Person upon the vesting of performance share units granted pursuant to the Issuer's 2006-2008 Performance Share Program under a Rule 16b-3(d) plan.
Includes unvested shares of performance share units granted to the Reporting Person in connection with the Issuer's 2008-2010 Performance Share Program ("Plan Period") under a Rule 16b-3(d) plan, all of which vest in the ordinary course on the last day of the Plan Period (December 31, 2010) and unvested portions of the May 1, 2006 grant of service based performance shares.
- (3) Reports shares withheld by the Issuer in connection with the vesting of performance share units granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's 2006-2008 Performance Share Program to satisfy tax obligations at a net settlement price equal to the average of the high and low sales price on Nasdaq on March 24, 2009, the vesting date.

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(4) Reported by 401(k) plan trustee on March 23, 2009.

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