

FORM 4

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

OMB APPROVAL	
OMB Number: 3235-0287	Expires: February 28, 2011
Estimated average burden hours per response...	0.5

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person - BLESS MICHAEL A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTURY ALUMINUM CO [CENX]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Executive VP and CFO	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/22/2009			
CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY, 2511 GARDEN ROAD, BUILDING A, SUITE 200			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(Street) MONTEREY, CA 93940						
(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common stock	01/22/2009		F		2,797 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$7.565	30,480 ⁽²⁾	D	

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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLESS MICHAEL A CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY 2511 GARDEN ROAD, BUILDING A, SUITE 200 MONTEREY, CA 93940			Executive VP and CFO	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Reports shares withheld by the Issuer to satisfy tax obligations at a net settlement price equal to the average of the high and low sales price on NASDAQ on January 22, 2009, the date the shares vested, in connection with the shares of common stock granted to the Reporting Person on January 23, 2006, one-third of which vested on January 22, 2007, one-third on January 22, 2008 and the remaining one-third which vested on January 22, 2009. Such shares were granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to a Rule 16b-3(d) plan.

(2) The amount shown here 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 on the last day of the Plan Period (December 31, 2010), or if earlier, upon the Reporting Person's termination of employment with the Issuer and its subsidiaries due to death, disability, termination other than for cause, or other reason approved by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors.

Signatures

William J. Leatherberry, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael A. Bless

01/22/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.