FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person - Hoerner John E.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTURY ALUMINUM CO [CENX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle) CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY, 2511 GARDEN ROAD, BUILDING A, SUITE 200	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2011	(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerXOfficer (give title Other (specify below) VP of N. American Operations			
(Street) MONTEREY, CA 93940 (City) (State) (Zip)	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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Ownership
		(Month/Day/Year)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)		Following Reported (In Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/01/2011		A		25,000 ⁽¹⁾	A	<u>(1)</u>	25,000 ⁽¹⁾	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	е		Code Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of Underlying		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form of Derivative	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (I) (Instr. 4)				

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Hoerner John E. CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY 2511 GARDEN ROAD, BUILDING A, SUITE 200 MONTEREY, CA 93940			VP of N. American Operations			

Explanation of Responses:

Initial grant of common stock granted to the Reporting Person on September 1, 2011 upon becoming the Issuer's Vice President of North American Operations pusuant to a Rule 16b–3(d) plan. The shares of common stock will vest in the ordinary course as follows: 5,000 on February 28, 2012; 10,000 on February 28, 2013 and 10,000 on February 28, 2014.

Signatures

William J. Leatherberry, Attorney-in-Fact for John E. Hoerner

09/06/2011

**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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of William J. Leatherberry and Jesse E. Gary, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney—in—fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Century Aluminum Company (the "Company"), all filings in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such filings in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney—in—fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney—in—fact, or such attorney—in—fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys—in—fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to execute such filings in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys—in–fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 1 st day of September, 2011.

/s/ John E. Hoerner	
Signature	
John E. Hoerner	
Print Name	