

CENTURY ALUMINUM CO  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

MONTEREY, CA 93940

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/19/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EVP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/19/2008                           |  | A                              | 6,776 (1)   | \$ 16,776 (2)   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/19/2008                           |  | F                              | 3,148 (3)   | \$ 62.85  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 176,486 (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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| Nielsen Robert R<br>CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY<br>2511 GARDEN ROAD, BLDG. A, SUITE 200<br>MONTEREY, CA 93940 |               |           | EVP and<br>General<br>Counsel |       |

## Signatures

William J. Leatherberry, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert R. Nielsen  
03/20/2008

\_\_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 2005-2007 Performance Share Program under a Rule 16b-3(d) plan.
- (2) The amount shown here includes unvested portions of the May 1, 2006 grant of restricted stock which vests in three installments, one-third on each of the one, two and three year anniversaries of the grant date.
- (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 2005-2007 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 19, 2008, the vesting date.
- (4) Reported by 401(k) trustee as of March 18, 2008.

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