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

### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 7, 2012

Century Aluminum Company (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-34474 13-3070826 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of Incorporation) Identification No.)

2511 Garden Road 93940
Building A, Suite 200 (Zip Code)
Monterey, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

(831) 642-9300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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	(17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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	under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
o	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under

the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(c) On February 7, 2012, Century Aluminum Company (the "Company") announced that its Board of Directors had appointed Michael A. Bless, age 46, as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Mr. Bless had previously served as Acting President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Bless had served as the Company's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since January 2006. Mr. Bless' compensation as President and Chief Executive Officer has not yet been determined.

On February 7, 2012, the Company issued a press release announcing Mr. Bless' appointment. The entire text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Description

Number

99.1 Press Release, dated February 7, 2012.

### **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.

CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY

Date: February 7, 2012 By: /s/ William J. Leatherberry

Name: William J. Leatherberry

Title: Executive Vice President, General

Counsel and Secretary

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