

Aleris International, Inc.
 Form 4
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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 *
KESLER DALE V

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 25825 SCIENCE PARK
 DRIVE, SUITE 400
 (Street)

BEACHWOOD, OH 44122

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Aleris International, Inc. [ARS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
12/19/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 Former Director

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) | 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) | Amount | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share | 12/19/2006 | | U | A | 7,580 | D | |
| | | | | | \$ 52.5 | | |
| | | | | | 0 | | |

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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 5.81 | 12/19/2006 | | U | 8,000 | 04/22/2003 ⁽¹⁾ | 10/22/2012 | Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share | 8,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 7.5 | 12/19/2006 | | U | 8,000 | 11/07/2003 ⁽²⁾ | 05/07/2013 | Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share | 4,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 12 | 12/19/2006 | | U | 4,000 | 11/27/2004 ⁽³⁾ | 05/27/2014 | Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share | 4,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-----------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| KESLER DALE V 25825 SCIENCE PARK DRIVE SUITE 400 BEACHWOOD, OH 44122 | | | | Former Director |

Signatures

Christopher R. Clegg
(POA) 12/20/2006

**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) This vested option was cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$373,520.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the merger consideration.
- (2) This vested option was cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$180,000.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the merger consideration.
- (3) This vested option was cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$162,000.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the merger consideration.

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