

Nielsen Robert R  
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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

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/24/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Exec. VP and General Counsel

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or (D) Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/24/2009                           |  | A                              |   | 60,177 <sup>(1)</sup>   | A  | 74,365 <sup>(2)</sup> D           |
| Common Stock                    | 03/24/2009                           |  | F                              |   | 27,350 <sup>(3)</sup>   | D  | \$ 47,015 <sup>(2)</sup> D        |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 176.4855 <sup>(4)</sup> 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 Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## 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 |               |           | Exec. VP and General Counsel |       |

## Signatures

William J. Leatherberry, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert R. Nielsen  
 03/25/2009  
 \*\*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 2006-2008 Performance Share Program under a Rule 16b-3(d) plan.  
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 in the ordinary course on the last day of the Plan Period (December 31, 2010) and unvested portions of the May 1, 2006 grant of service based performance shares.
- (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 2006-2008 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 24, 2009, the vesting date.

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(4) Reported by 401(k) plan trustee on March 23, 2009.

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