

CENTURY ALUMINUM CO
Form 4
May 06, 2009

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BLESS MICHAEL A

(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)
05/04/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Exec. VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/04/2009		A	31,493 (1)	A (1) 99,180 (2)	D	

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)**

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.55 ⁽³⁾	05/04/2009		A	27,618	07/01/2011 ⁽⁴⁾ 05/04/2019	Common Stock 27,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLESS MICHAEL A CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY 2511 GARDEN ROAD, BLDG A, SUITE 200 MONTEREY, CA 93940			Exec. VP and CFO	

Signatures

William J. Leatherberry, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael A. Bless
05/06/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Reports shares of common stock acquired by the Reporting Person in connection with performance share units granted pursuant to the Issuer's 2009-2011 Performance Share Program (Plan Period) under a Rule 16b-3(d) plan, all of which vest on January 1, 2011, or if earlier, upon the Reporting Person's termination of employment with the Issuer and its subsidiaries due to death, disability, termination other than for cause or other reason approved by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors.

(2) Includes unvested shares of performance share units granted to the Reporting Person in connection with the Issuer's 2008-2010 Performance Share Program under a Rule 16b-3(d) plan, all of which vest in the ordinary course on the last day of the 2008-2010 program period (December 31, 2010).

(3) Represents the average of the high and low price of the Issuer's common stock on the date of grant, May 4, 2009.

(4) May 4, 2009, grant of employee stock options pursuant to the Issuer's 2009-2011 Performance Share Program under a Rule 16b-3(d). These options vest and become exercisable on July 1, 2011.

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