

Hoerner John E.  
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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 \*  
Hoerner John E.

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)  
02/28/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP of N. American Operations

CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY, 2511 GARDEN ROAD, BUILDING 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 or Price		
Common Stock	02/28/2012			F	1,896 (1)	D	27,024 (2) (1)

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. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Hoerner John E.  
CENTURY ALUMINUM COMPANY  
2511 GARDEN ROAD, BUILDING A, SUITE 200  
MONTEREY, CA 93940

VP of N. American Operations

## Signatures

Jesse E. Gary , Attorney-in-Fact for John E. Hoerner

03/01/2012

\_\_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).

Reports shares withheld by the Issuer in connection with the vesting of performance share units granted to the Reporting Person upon

(1) becoming the Issuer's Vice President of North American Operations to satisfy tax obligations at a net settlement price equal to the closing price on Nasdaq on February 28, 2012, the vesting date.

Includes unvested shares of performance share units granted to the Reporting Person upon becoming the Issuer's Vice President of North

(2) American Operations of which the remaining 20,000 shares vest 10,000 on February 28, 2013 and 10,000 on February 28, 2014, and unvested performance share units granted pursuant to the Issuer's 2011-2013 Performance Share Program (the "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, 2013.

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