

BALKCOM JOHN E

Form 4

December 21, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BALKCOM JOHN E

(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 ____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title ____X____ Other (specify
below) 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share	12/19/2006		U	3,234 D \$ 52.5	0	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share	12/19/2006		U	4,067 D \$ 52.5	0	I	By Spouse
Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share	12/19/2006		U	1,500 D \$ 52.5	0	I	KEOGH Account

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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)	\$ 8.21	12/19/2006		U	8,000	06/12/2004 ⁽¹⁾ 12/12/2013	Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share 8,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12	12/20/2006		U	21,000	11/27/2004 ⁽²⁾ 05/27/2014	Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share 21,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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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 \$354,320.00 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 \$850,500.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the merger consideration.

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