Lair Michelle Form 4 June 13, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

obligations may continue. See Instruction

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Lair Michelle

1(b).

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CENTURY ALUMINUM CO

[CENX]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 06/09/2006

2511 GARDEN ROAD, BUILDING A, SUITE 200

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

Director

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

MONTEREY, CA 93940

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Owned Following

Beneficially Reported

(D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

SEC 1474

(9-02)

7. Nature of

10% Owner

Other (specify

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

Estimated average

burden hours per

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8	Securiti (A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	ed ed of	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code \	/ (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.31	06/09/2006		A	5,000		<u>(1)</u>	06/09/2016	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Lair Michelle								
2511 GARDEN ROAD								
BUILDING A, SUITE 200			Treasurer					
MONTEREY CA 93940								

Signatures

By William J. Leatherberry, as Attorney-in-Fact 06/13/2006

Explanation of Responses:

**Signature of Reporting Person

- * 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) June 9, 2006 grant of Employee Stock Options. The options will vest and become exercisable in three installments, one-third on the date of grant, one-third on the first anniversary of the date of grant and one-third on the second anniversary of the date of grant.

Date

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