

Aleris International, Inc.
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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 *
 Friday Michael D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

25825 SCIENCE PARK
 DRIVE, SUITE 400

(Street)

BEACHWOOD, OH 44122-7392

(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 below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share | 12/19/2006 | | | U | 24,291 D \$ 52.5 | 22,430 | D |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share | 12/19/2006 | | | J | 22,430 (3) D \$ 52.5 | 0 | 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)

| 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 10.82 | 12/19/2006 | | U | 61,125 | 06/16/2007 ⁽¹⁾ 06/16/2014 | Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share | 61,125 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 15.4 | 12/19/2006 | | U | 62,500 | 12/15/2005 ⁽²⁾ 12/15/2014 | Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share | 62,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Friday Michael D 25825 SCIENCE PARK DRIVE SUITE 400 BEACHWOOD, OH 44122-7392 | | | Executive VP and CFO | |

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 invested option was cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$2,547,690.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the merger consideration.

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- (2) This partially vested option was cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$2,318,750.00 representing the difference between the exercise price of the option and the merger consideration.
- (3) Unrestricted common stock shares previously owned directly by Reporting Person and exchanged for interests in the nonpublic acquiring company.

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