ENGELHARD CORP Form SC TO-T/A January 27, 2006

QuickLinks -- Click here to rapidly navigate through this document

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **SCHEDULE TO**

Tender Offer Statement Under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 4)

# **ENGELHARD CORPORATION**

(Name of Subject Company)

# **IRON ACQUISITION CORPORATION**

an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of

## **BASF AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT**

(Names of Filing Persons Offeror)

Common Stock, Par Value \$1.00 Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

292845104

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Hans-Ulrich Engel Iron Acquisition Corporation 100 Campus Drive Florham Park, NJ 07932 (973) 245-6000

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Persons Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of Filing Persons)

Copy to:

Dr. Joerg Buchmueller BASF Aktiengesellschaft 67056 Ludwigshafen Germany (+49 621) 604-8230 Peter D. Lyons, Esq. Clare O'Brien, Esq. Shearman & Sterling LLP 599 Lexington Avenue New York, New York 10022 (212) 848-4000

#### CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

**Transaction Valuation\*** 

Amount of Filing Fee\*\*

\$4,840,441,343.00

13 Fe ou fil ** Ç ý C	Estimated for purposes of calculating the amount of the filing fee only. Calculated by multiplying \$37.00, the per share tender offer price, by 130,822,739 the sum of (i) the 119,906,559 outstanding shares of Common Stock as of October 31, 2005 (according to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2005 filed by Engelhard Corporation), and (ii) the 10,916,180 shares of Common Stock subject to outstanding options and stock units as of December 31, 2004 (according to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2004 filed by Engelhard Corporation). Calculated as 0.0107% of the transaction value. Check the box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing with which the offsetting fee was previously paid. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the Form or Schedule and the date of its filing.			
Form c C ý th o is: o g o o ar	nt Previously Paid: or Registration No.: heck the box if the filing relate heck the appropriate boxes to c ird-party tender offer subject to suer tender offer subject to Rul ping-private transaction subject nendment to Schedule 13D und heck the following box if the fi	lesignate any transactio o Rule 14d-1. e 13e-4. : to Rule 13e-3. der Rule 13d-2.	ns to which the state	

This Amendment No. 4 (this "Amendment") amends and supplements the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed on January 9, 2006, as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on January 18, 2006, Amendment No. 2 filed on January 20, 2006 and Amendment No. 3 filed on January 24, 2006 (as so amended, the "Schedule TO") by Iron Acquisition Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Purchaser") and an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of BASF Aktiengesellschaft, a stock corporation organized under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany ("Parent"). The Schedule TO relates to the offer by Purchaser to purchase all the issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$1.00 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Engelhard Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and the associated Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock purchase rights (the "Rights," and together with the Common Stock, the "Shares") issued pursuant to the Rights Agreement, dated as of October 1, 1998, between the Company and ChaseMellon Shareholder Services, L.L.C., as Rights Agent (the "Rights Agreement"), for \$37.00 per Share, net to the seller in cash (subject to applicable withholding taxes), without interest, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase dated January 9, 2006 (the "Offer to Purchase"). Except as specifically provided herein, this Amendment does not modify any of the information previously reported on the Schedule TO.

#### Item 11. Additional Information.

Item 11 of the Schedule TO is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

"On January 27, 2006, Parent announced that it had nominated Mr. Julian A. Brodsky and Mr. John C. Linehan for election to the Board of Directors of the Company Corporation at the 2006 annual meeting of the Company's stockholders. The press release announcing the delivery of Parent's notice is filed herewith as Exhibit (a)(15).

#### Item 12. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits.

Item 12 of the Schedule TO is hereby amended and restated as follows:

#### Exhibit No.

(a)(1)	Offer to Purchase dated January 9, 2006.*	
(a)(2)	Form of Letter of Transmittal.*	
(a)(3)	Form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.*	
(a)(4)	Form of Letter from Lehman Brothers Inc. to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees.*	
(a)(5)	Form of Letter to Clients.*	
(a)(6)	Form of Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9.*	
(a)(7)	Summary Advertisement as published in The Wall Street Journal on January 9, 2006.*	
(a)(8)	Press Release issued by Parent on January 9, 2006.*	
(a)(9)	Press Release issued by Parent on January 3, 2006.*	
(a)(10)	Analyst presentation, dated January 3, 2006.*	
(a)(11)	Text of email to U.S. employees of BASF Aktiengesellschaft, dated January 3, 2006.*	
(a)(12)	Transcript of Conference Call, dated January 3, 2006.*	
(a)(13)	Transcript of Interview with Dr. Kurt Bock.*	
	2	

- (a)(14) Press Release issued by Parent on January 24, 2006.\*
- (a)(15) Press Release issued by Parent on January 27, 2006.
- (b) None.
- (d) None.
- (g) None.
- (h) None.

\*

Previously filed

3

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: January 27, 2006

#### IRON ACQUISITION CORPORATION

By: /s/ HANS-ULRICH ENGEL

Name: Hans-Ulrich Engel Title: President 4

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: January 27, 2006

BASF AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT

- By: /s/ DR. JUERGEN HAMBRECHT
  - Name: Dr. Juergen Hambrecht Title: Chairman of the Board of **Executive Directors**

By: /s/ DR. KURT BOCK

Name: Dr. Kurt Bock Title: Member of the Board of **Executive Directors** 5

## EXHIBIT INDEX

### Exhibit No.

(a)(1)	Offer to Purchase dated January 9, 2006.*
(a)(2)	Form of Letter of Transmittal.*
(a)(3)	Form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.*
(a)(4)	Form of Letter from Lehman Brothers Inc. to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees.*
(a)(5)	Form of Letter to Clients.*
(a)(6)	Form of Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9.*
(a)(7)	Summary Advertisement as published in The Wall Street Journal on January 9, 2006.*
(a)(8)	Press Release issued by Parent on January 9, 2006.*
(a)(9)	Press Release issued by Parent on January 3, 2006.*
(a)(10)	Analyst presentation, dated January 3, 2006.*
(a)(11)	Text of email to U.S. employees of BASF Aktiengesellschaft, dated January 3, 2006.*
(a)(12)	Transcript of Conference Call, dated January 3, 2006.*
(a)(13)	Transcript of Interview with Dr. Kurt Bock.*
(a)(14)	Press Release issued by Parent on January 24, 2006.*
(a)(15)	Press Release issued by Parent on January 27, 2006.
(b)	None.
(d)	None.
(g)	None.
(h)	None.
*	

Previously filed

QuickLinks

EXHIBIT INDEX