

NL INDUSTRIES 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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SIMMONS HAROLD C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700

(Street)

DALLAS, TX 75240

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NL INDUSTRIES INC [NL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/19/2005

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)

Chairman of the Board & CEO

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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common stock \$0.125 par value	05/19/2005		A ⁽¹⁾	1,000 A	27,800	D	
Common stock \$0.125 par value					40,350,931	I	by Valhi ⁽²⁾
Common stock \$0.125 par value					222,100	I	by TFMC ⁽³⁾

Common stock \$0.125 par value 69,475 I by Spouse (4)

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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SIMMONS HAROLD C 5430 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1700 DALLAS, TX 75240	X	X	Chairman of the Board & CEO	

Signatures

A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorney-in-fact, for Harold C. Simmons 05/19/2005

**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) Shares issued for no cash consideration to nonemployee directors under the NL Industries, Inc. 1998 Long-Term Incentive Plan.

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- (2) Directly held by Valhi, Inc. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationships among the persons joining in this filing.
- (3) Directly held by TIMET Finance Management Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationships among the persons joining in this filing.
- (4) Directly held by the Reporting Person's spouse. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

Remarks:

Exhibit Index

99 Additional Information

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