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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Lair Michelle

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

06/09/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CENTURY ALUMINUM CO [CENX]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2511 GARDEN ROAD, Â BUILDING A, SUITE

200

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

(give title below) (specify below)

Treasurer

10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

MONTEREY. CAÂ 93940

(City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership Form: (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock 119.698 Ι By 401(k) Plan (1)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative

Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/08/2014	Common Stock	1,334	\$ 23.18	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	12/08/2015	Common Stock	3,600	\$ 24.7	D	Â

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

By William J. Leatherberry as
Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Reported by 401(k) Trustee as of June 12, 2006.
- (2) December 8, 2004 grant of Employee Stock Options. The options 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.
- (3) December 8, 2005 grant of Employee Stock Options. The options 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.

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