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April 13, 2001

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 11)

HERCULES INCORPORATED
(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, \$25/48 STATED VALUE PER SHARE
(Title of class of securities)

427056106
(CUSIP number)

RICHARD A. WEINBERG, ESQ.
C/O ISP MANAGEMENT COMPANY, INC.
1361 ALPS ROAD
WAYNE, NEW JERSEY 07470
(973) 628-4000

(Name, address and telephone number of person authorized
to receive notices and communications)

WITH A COPY TO:

STEPHEN E. JACOBS, ESQ.
WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP
767 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10153-0119
(212) 310-8000

APRIL 12, 2001
(Date of event which requires filing of this statement)

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| 1 | NAME OF REPORTING PERSON | ISP OPCO HOLDINGS INC. |
| | S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON | |
| 2 | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP: | (a) / / (b) /X/ |
| 3 | SEC USE ONLY | |
| 4 | SOURCE OF FUNDS: | OO |
| 5 | CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e): | / / |
| 6 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: | Delaware |
| NUMBER OF SHARES | 7 | SOLE VOTING POWER: 0 |
| BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY | 8 | SHARED VOTING POWER: 10,719,200 |
| EACH REPORTING | 9 | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 0 |
| PERSON WITH | 10 | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 10,719,200 |
| 11 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY REPORTING PERSON: | 10,719,200 |
| 12 | CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES: | / / |
| 13 | PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): | 9.91% |
| 14 | TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: | CO |

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| 1 | NAME OF REPORTING PERSON | ISP INVESTMENTS INC. |
| | S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. | |
| | OF ABOVE PERSON | |
| 2 | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP: | (a) / / (b) /X/ |
| 3 | SEC USE ONLY | |
| 4 | SOURCE OF FUNDS: | WC, OO |
| 5 | CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2 (d) OR 2 (e): | |
| 6 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: | Delaware |
| | NUMBER OF SHARES | 7 SOLE VOTING POWER: 10,719,200 |
| | BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY | 8 SHARED VOTING POWER: 0 |
| | EACH REPORTING | 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 10,719,200 |
| | PERSON WITH | 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 0 |
| 11 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY REPORTING PERSON: | 10,719,200 |
| 12 | CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES: | / / |
| 13 | PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): | 9.91% |
| 14 | TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: | CO |

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| 1 | NAME OF REPORTING PERSON | INTERNATIONAL SPECIALTY |
| | S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. | PRODUCTS INC. |
| | OF ABOVE PERSON | |
| 2 | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP: | (a) / / |

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(b) /X/

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| 3 | SEC USE ONLY | | |
| 4 | SOURCE OF FUNDS: | OO | |
| 5 | CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e): | | / / |
| 6 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: | Delaware | |
| 7 | NUMBER OF SHARES | SOLE VOTING POWER: | 0 |
| 8 | BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH | SHARED VOTING POWER: | 10,719,200 |
| 9 | | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: | 0 |
| 10 | | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: | 10,719,200 |
| 11 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY REPORTING PERSON: | | 10,719,200 |
| 12 | CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES: | | / / |
| 13 | PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): | | 9.91% |
| 14 | TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: | CO | |

This Amendment No. 11 ("Amendment No. 11") amends the statement of beneficial ownership on Schedule 13D ("Schedule 13D") filed on July 24, 2000, as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on October 11, 2000, Amendment No. 2 filed on January 23, 2001, Amendment No. 3 filed on February 7, 2001, Amendment No. 4 filed on February 20, 2001, Amendment No. 5 filed on February 28, 2001, Amendment No. 6 filed on March 7, 2001, Amendment No. 7 filed on March 9, 2001, Amendment No. 8 filed on March 12, 2001, Amendment No. 9 filed on April 4, 2001, and Amendment No. 10 filed on April 11, 2001, by and on behalf of ISP Opco Holdings Inc. ("ISP Opco"), ISP Investments Inc. ("ISP Investments"), and International Specialty Products Inc. ("ISP" and together with ISP Investments and ISP Opco, the "Reporting Persons") with respect to their ownership of common stock, stated value \$25/48 per share ("Common Stock"), of Hercules Incorporated (the "Company"). Capitalized terms used herein and not defined herein have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Schedule 13D, as previously amended.

ITEM 4. PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION

On April 12, 2001, Samuel J. Heyman, Chairman of the Board of ISP, sent the following letter to Mr. Thomas Gossage, Chairman, CEO and President of the Company:

Mr. Thomas Gossage
 Chairman, CEO and President
 Hercules Incorporated
 Hercules Plaza

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1313 North Market Street
Wilmington, Delaware 19894-0001

Dear Tom:

I am in receipt of your letter today, and our response is already fully laid out in our proxy materials, which contain numerous facts that you insist on ignoring.

While we are pleased that Hercules has "reactivated" its search for a permanent CEO, I do not recall Hercules ever reporting to its shareholders that it had deactivated the search. Are you now reporting that after almost six months there has been no progress on this front as well?

I do agree with you, of course, that Hercules shareholders should not be misled, and so to prevent that from happening, I would propose that you and I have one or more discussions/debates before any interested group of Hercules shareholders, so that the Company's shareholders can fully understand our respective positions in the proxy contest.

Please let me know.

Sincerely,

/s/ Samuel J. Heyman

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of their knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: April 12, 2001

ISP OPCO HOLDINGS INC.
ISP INVESTMENTS INC.
INTERNATIONAL SPECIALTY PRODUCTS INC.

By: /s/ Susan B. Yoss

Susan B. Yoss
Executive Vice President and Treasurer

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