

SEMELE GROUP INC  
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 13D**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**(Amendment No. 6)\***

Semele Group Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

8166 18 201

(CUSIP Number)

James A. Coyne, Senior Vice President, Equis Corporation

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

August 29, 2003

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1.	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  James A. Coyne
2.	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)  (b)
3.	SEC USE ONLY
4.	SOURCE OF FUNDS  Personal

5.	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)	
6.	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION USA	
	NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7. 8. 9. 10.
		SOLE VOTING POWER 432,980
		SHARED VOTING POWER None
		SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 350,841
		SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER None
11.	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 432,980	
12.	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES	
13.	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 20.8%	
14.	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IN	

**Item 1. Security and Issuer**

This statement on Schedule 13D relates to the Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share (the **Common Stock** ), of Semele Group Inc., a Delaware Corporation ( **Semele** ). The principal executive offices of Semele are located at 200 Nyala Farms, Westport, Connecticut 06880.

**Item 2. Identity and Background**

This statement is filed by the following reporting person:

James A. Coyne. Mr. Coyne is President and Chief Operating Officer of Semele. Mr. Coyne is also Senior Vice President of Equis Corporation, the general partner of Equis Financial Group Limited Partnership, a Massachusetts limited partnership ( **Equis** ), and the President, Chief Executive Officer and a Director of PLM International, Inc., ( **PLM** ). Both Equis and PLM are engaged primarily in the business of managing leased assets and funds holding leased assets. Mr. Coyne's business address is 200 Nyala Farms, Westport, Connecticut 06880. Mr. Coyne is a U.S. citizen.

During the last five years, Mr. Coyne was not (i) convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or (ii) a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

**Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration**

Cash of Family Corporation controlled by Mr. Coyne

**Item 4. Purpose of Transaction**

On August 29, 2003, Mr. Coyne acquired an aggregate of 66,233 shares of Semele Group Inc., common stock in a private sale by AFG Hato Arrow Limited Partnership, AFG Dove Arrow Limited Partnership and AIP/Larkfield Limited Partnership. The purpose of the transaction is to increase the ownership of Semele common stock by the family corporation controlled by Mr. Coyne.

**Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer**

As of the date of this statement, Mr. Coyne beneficially owns 432,980 shares of Semele Common Stock, representing approximately 20.8% of the outstanding shares of Semele Common Stock. The shares beneficially owned by Mr. Coyne include 3,000 shares owned directly, 374,841 shares owned indirectly through a family corporation controlled by Mr. Coyne and 82,139 shares owned by the trustee of a rabbi trust for the benefit of Mr. Coyne, which represent salary deferred by Mr. Coyne through December 31, 2000. Mr. Coyne disclaims beneficial ownership of all the shares he owns indirectly through the family corporation, except to the extent that he has a pecuniary interest in such shares under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Mr. Coyne has the sole power to vote and dispose of, or to direct the vote and disposition of, the aggregate of 350,841 shares owned by him directly and indirectly through the family corporation. Mr. Coyne has the sole power to vote or to direct the vote of the 82,139 shares owned by the trustee of the rabbi trust, and no power to dispose of or to direct the disposition of such shares.

On August 29 2003, a family corporation controlled by Mr. Coyne bought 21,181 shares of Semele common stock from AFG Hato Arrow Limited Partnership, 20,558 shares of Semele common stock from AFG Dove Arrow Limited Partnership and 24,494 shares of Semele common stock from AIP/Larkfield Limited Partnership in a private transaction for a purchase price of \$1.20 per share. There have been no other transactions in Semele Common Stock by Mr. Coyne during the 60-day period prior to the date of this statement.

Except for the stockholders of the family corporation and the trustee of the rabbi trust for the benefit of Mr. Coyne, no other person is know to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, and no other person is know to have the right to receive or the poser to direct the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of, the Semele Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Coyne.

**Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer**

Of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. Coyne, 82,139 shares are held by the trustee of a rabbi trust for the benefit of Mr. Coyne. These shares represent Mr. Coyne s salary from Semele through 2000, which he elected to defer. Shares in the rabbi trust attributable to Mr. Coyne s salary are not subject to forfeiture. Shares in the rabbi trust attributable to any bonus from Semele deferred by Mr. Coyne are forfeited and returned to Semele if Semele terminates Mr. Coyne s

employment for cause. Shares held in the rabbi trust for the benefit of Mr. Coyne will be distributed to him on termination of employment, except that if Semele Common Stock is not then readily tradable, Semele will redeem the shares in installments within three years at fair market value.

**Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits**

Not Applicable

**Signature**

After reasonable 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.

September 3, 2003

/s/ James A. Coyne \_\_\_\_\_

James A. Coyne