

Aleris International, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 24, 2005

## ALERIS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**1-7170**  
(Commission File Number)

**75-2008280**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**25825 Science Park Drive, Suite 400**

**Beachwood, OH**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**44122**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (216) 910-3400**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

On May 24, 2005, our leadership team made a presentation to certain analysts. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. The presentation is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2.

The information contained in this report and on such exhibits contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements contained in this report and on such exhibits that are not historical in nature are considered to be forward-looking statements. They include statements regarding our expectations, hopes, beliefs, estimates, intentions or strategies regarding the future. These include statements that contain words such as believe, expect, anticipate, intend, estimate, should, and similar expressions intended to connote future events and circumstances, and include statements regarding future earnings and earnings per share, future improvements in margins, processing volumes and pricing, improvements in internal controls, future effects of derivatives accounting, anticipated continuation of strengthened U.S. and worldwide industrial activity, expected cost savings, and anticipated synergies resulting from the business combination between Commonwealth Industries, Inc. ( Commonwealth ) and us.

Investors are cautioned that all forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, and that actual results could differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties would include, without limitation, our ability to effectively integrate the business and operations of Commonwealth; slowdowns in automotive production in the U.S. and Europe; the financial condition of our customers and future bankruptcies and defaults by our major customers; the availability at favorable cost of aluminum scrap and other metal supplies that we processes; our ability to enter into effective metals, natural gas and other commodity derivatives; future natural gas and other fuel costs; a weakening in industrial demand resulting from a decline in economic conditions, including any decline caused by terrorist activities or other unanticipated events; future utilized capacity of our various facilities; future decreases in recycling outsourcing by primary producers; restrictions on and future levels and timing of capital expenditures; retention of major customers; the timing and amounts of collections; the future mix of product sales vs. tolling business; currency exchange fluctuations; future write-downs or impairment charges which may be required because of the occurrence of uncertainties listed above; and other risks listed in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including but not limited to our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 and our quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2005, particularly the sections entitled Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Risk Factors and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Cautionary Statement on Forward-Looking Information contained therein.

The forward-looking statements contained in this report and on such exhibits are made only as of the date hereof. We do not assume any obligation to update any of these forward-looking statements.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: May 24, 2005

**ALERIS INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

/s/ Michael D. Friday  
Michael D. Friday

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

<u><i>Exhibit No.</i></u>	<u><i>Description</i></u>
99.1	Press Release issued May 24, 2005.
99.2	Presentation to Analysts dated May 24, 2005.