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UNITED STATES
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 the earliest event reported)
October 5, 2004

CompX International Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-13905	57-0981653
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
5430 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1700, Dallas, Texas		75240-2697
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(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code
(972) 448-1400

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On October 5, 2004, CompX International Inc., a Delaware corporation ("CompX"), became eligible to file consolidated returns of federal income taxes with NL Industries, Inc., a New Jersey corporation and a parent corporation of

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CompX ("NL"), and Contran Corporation, a Delaware corporation and the parent of NL and CompX ("Contran"). Accordingly, CompX, NL and Contran entered into a Tax Agreement executed on October 5, 2004 but effective as of October 1, 2004 (the "Tax Agreement"). The Tax Agreement provides that NL and its qualifying subsidiaries, including CompX, compute provisions for U.S. income taxes on a separate-company basis using the tax elections made by Contran. Pursuant to the Tax Sharing Agreement and using the tax elections made by Contran, CompX will make payments to, or receive payments from NL, in amounts it would have paid to or received from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service had it not been a member of NL's consolidated tax group but instead was a separate taxpayer. Refunds to CompX are generally limited to amounts previously paid under the Tax Sharing Agreement.

The description of the Tax Agreement is qualified in its entirety by the terms of the actual document filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Item No.	Exhibit Index
10.1	Tax Agreement executed on October 5, 2004 but effective as of October 1, 2004 among NL Industries, Inc., Contran Corporation and CompX International Inc.

SIGNATURE

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.

CompX International Inc.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Darryl R. Halbert

Darryl R. Halbert
Vice President, Chief Financial
Officer and Controller

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