

SIMMONS HAROLD C  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**SIMMONS HAROLD C**  
  
(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
5430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700  
  
(Street)  
  
DALLAS, TX 75240  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**NL INDUSTRIES INC [NL]**  
  
3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**12/20/2012**  
  
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Chairman of the Board**  
  
6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)          | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|  |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price                                |   |  |                                   |
| Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share | 12/20/2012                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | 222,100 D   | 0   | I  | by TFMC <sup>(2)</sup>            |
| Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,054,607   | D  |                                   |
| Common stock,                            |                                      |  |                                |   | 426,601   | I  | By Spouse <sup>(3)</sup>          |

\$0.01 par value per share

Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share

40,387,531 I

By Valhi (4)

Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share

2,000 I

By Kronos (5)

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                                       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |                       |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer               | Other |
| SIMMONS HAROLD C<br>5430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700<br>DALLAS, TX 75240 | X             | X         | Chairman of the Board |       |

## Signatures

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorney-in-fact, for Harold C. Simmons                        | 12/21/2012 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date       |
| A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorney-in-fact, for Contran Corporation                      | 12/21/2012 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date       |
| A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorney-in-fact, for Dixie Rice Agriculture Corporation, Inc. | 12/21/2012 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date       |
| A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorney-in-fact, for Valhi Holding Company                    | 12/21/2012 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date       |
| A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorney-in-fact, for Valhi, Inc.                              | 12/21/2012 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date       |
| A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorney-in-fact, for Kronos Worldwide, Inc.                   | 12/21/2012 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person  | Date       |

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(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) See Exhibit 99.1 - Description of Transaction
- (2) Directly held by TIMET Finance Management Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this statement for a description of the relationship among the reporting persons.
- (3) Directly held by Annette C. Simmons. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this statement for a description of the relationship among the reporting persons.
- (4) Directly held by Valhi, Inc. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this statement for a description of the relationship among the reporting persons.
- (5) Directly held by Kronos Worldwide, Inc. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this statement for a description of the relationship among the reporting persons.

### Remarks:

Exhibit Index:

Exhibit 99.1 Description of Transaction

Exhibit 99.2 - Additional Information

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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