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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person* SIMMONS HAROLD C					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VALHI INC /DE/ [VHI]										S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) 5430 LB	(Fir.	st) Y, SUITE 1700	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (M 12/19/2008							/Day/Year)			X	Office	er (give title v)		r (specify		
(Street) DALLAS TX 75240 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X 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,		3. Transaction		4. Securities Acquired (Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)			d (A)	(A) or 5. Al Secu Ben Own		ount of	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A (E	() or	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share				12/19/2008				P		200		A	\$14.97		97,883		D			
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share			12/19/2008				P		317		A	\$15.11		98,200		D				
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share			12/19/2008				P		4,483		A	\$15.17		102,683		D				
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share																105,	140,163	I	by VHC ⁽¹⁾	
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share															1,252,943		I	by TFMC ⁽²⁾		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share															20	00,900	I	by Spouse ⁽³⁾		
	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 (Instr. 3) 3. Transaction Date Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Transac	ransaction of ode (Instr. Derivative			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership			
				Code	v	(A)	(D)			Expiration Date	Title	Nu	mber ares							

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Directly held by Valhi Holding Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationship to the reporting person.
- 2. Directly held by TIMET Finance Management Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationship to the reporting person.
- 3. Directly held by the reporting person's spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares of the issuer's common stock that his spouse holds.

Remarks:

Exhibit Index: Exhibit 99 - Additional Information

A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorneyin-fact, for Harold C. Simmons

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

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^{*} 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).

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Exhibit 99

Additional Information

Walhi folding Company ("VRC"), TIMET Finance Wanagement Company ("TEMC"), the Harold Simmons Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation"), Harold C. Simmons' spouse, The Combined Master Retirement Trust (the "CMST") and Harold C. Simmons (THALT) is the sole stockholder of TEMC. VHC, Harold C. Simmons' spouse, the CMST, Harold C. Simmons, NL Industries, Inc. ("NL"), Valhi and the Foundation are the holders of 26.6%, 12.1%, 8.

Substantially all of Contran's outstanding voting stock is held by trusts established for the benefit of certain children and grandchildren of Harold C. Simmons (the "Trusts"), of which Mr. Simmons is the sole trustee, o

The Foundation directly holds approximately 0.9% of the outstanding Valhi common stock and 0.2% of the outstanding TIMET common stock. The Foundation is a tax-exempt foundation organized for charitable purposes. Harold C.

The CMST directly holds approximately 0.1% of the outstanding shares of Valhi common stock and 8.5% of the outstanding TIMET common stock. Contran sponsors the CMST as a trust to permit the collective investment by maste

Mr. Harold C. Simmons is chairman of the board of Valhi, TIMET, VMC, Dixie Rice and Contran, and chairman of the board and chief executive officer of NL.

By virtue of the offices held, the stock ownership and his services as trustee, all as described above, (a) Mr. Simmons may be deemed to control certain of such entities and (b) Mr. Simmons and certain of such entities s

The reporting person understands that NL and a subsidiary of NL directly own 3,585,101 shares and 1,186,200 shares, respectively, of Valhi common stock as of the date of this statement. As already stated, Valhi is the direct owner of 21,825,875 shares of TIMET common stock, 269,775 shares of NL common stock and 200,900 shares of Valhi common stock.

Mr. Barold C. Simmons is the direct owner of 7,295,239 shares of TIMET common stock, 880,600 shares of NL common stock and 102,683 shares of Valhi common stock.

A trust, of which Harold C. Simmons and his spouse are trustees and the beneficiaries are the grandchildren of his spouse, is the direct holder of 34,000 shares of Valhi common stock and 17,432 shares of TIMET common sto