# 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)  $$\operatorname{August}$  31, 2004

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Valhi, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-5467	87-0110150
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
5430 LBJ Freeway, Suite	1700, Dallas, Texas	75240-2697
(Address of principal ex	secutive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 233-1700

(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):

[	]	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act $(17\ \text{CFR}\ 230.425)$
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[	]	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
[	]	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

The registrant hereby furnishes the information set forth in its press release issued on August 31, 2004, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information, including the exhibit, the registrant furnishes in this report is not deemed "filed" for purposes of section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. Registration statements or other documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission shall not incorporate this information by reference, except as otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Item No. Exhibit Index Item No.

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99.1 Press Release dated August 31, 2004 issued

by the registrant.

### 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.

> VALHI, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ A. Andrew R. Louis

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A. Andrew R. Louis

Secretary

Date: August 31, 2004

## INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit No.	Description

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#### PRESS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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### VALHI DECLARES QUARTERLY DIVIDEND

DALLAS, TEXAS . . . August 31, 2004 . . . Valhi, Inc. (NYSE: VHI) announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly dividend of six cents (\$0.06) per share on its common stock, payable on September 30, 2004 to stockholders of record at the close of business on September 13, 2004.

Valhi, Inc. is engaged in the titanium dioxide pigments, component products (ergonomic computer support systems, precision ball bearing slides and security products), titanium metals products and waste management industries.

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