SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities
Exchange Act of 1934

February 11, 1999
(Date of Report, date of earliest event reported)

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, TX   75240-2697
(Address of principal executive offices)   (Zip Code)

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

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

Item 5: Other Events

    On February 11, 1999, the registrant, Valhi, Inc., issued the press release
attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7:   Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

        (c) Exhibit

        Item No.   Exhibit Index
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        99.1   Press release dated February 11, 1999 issued by Valhi,
                      Inc.

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.

                              VALHI, INC.
                              (Registrant)

                         By: /s/ A. Andrew R. Louis

                              A. Andrew R. Louis
                              Secretary

Date: February 11, 1999

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: CONTACT:

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                VALHI, INC. DECLARES QUARTERLY DIVIDEND

     DALLAS, TEXAS . . . February 11, 1999 . . . Valhi, Inc. (NYSE: VHI)
announced today that its board of directors has declared a regular quarterly
dividend of five cents ($0.05) per share on its common stock, payable on March
31, 1999 to stockholders of record at the close of business on March 17, 1999.

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

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