FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] CONTRAN CORP						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VALHI INC /DE/ [VHI]									ionship of Reportin all applicable) Director		ng Person(s) to X 10% C			
(Last)		(First	, , , ,	Viddle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/25/2008								Offic belov	er (give title w)		Other below)	(specify	
5430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700						4. lf /	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)														110)	Form	filed by One	e Reporti	ng Pers	son	
DALLAS		ТХ	7	5240										Х	Form Perse	filed by Mor	e than C	ne Rep	orting	
(City)	((Stat	ie) (Z	Zip)																
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
Date			Date			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. and 5)			Securi Benefi Ownec	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	.	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4) ((Instr. 4)			
Common s	stock, \$().01	par value per s	share	07/25/2	008			J ⁽¹⁾		10,000	Α	\$22	2.8	1,1	06,043	Ι		by TFMC ⁽²⁾	
Common s	stock, \$().01	par value per s	share	07/25/2	008			J ⁽¹⁾		3,900	Α	\$22	2.5	1,1	09,943	Ι		by TFMC ⁽²⁾	
Common s	stock, \$().01	par value per s	share	07/28/2	008			J ⁽¹⁾		800	Α	\$22	2.5	1,1	10,743	Ι		by TFMC ⁽²⁾	
Common s	stock, \$().01	par value per s	share	07/29/2	008			J ⁽¹⁾		5,000	Α	\$22	2.8	1,1	15,743	Ι		by TFMC ⁽²⁾	
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share													105,	,140,163	Ι		by VHC ⁽³⁾			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of 2. 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)				Code (Transaction of Code (Instr. Derivative		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Dat			F		ice vative	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially	Own Forr	ership n: ct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	8)		Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ired r osed . 3, 4			Underl Deriva Securi 3 and 4	tive ty (Instr.	Security (Instr. 5)	Owned	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

 CONTRAN CORP

 (Last)
 (First)
 (Middle)

 5430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700

 (Street)

 DALLAS
 TX
 75240

 (City)
 (State)
 (Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] VALHI HOLDING CO											
(Last) 5430 LBJ FRE	ast) (First) (Middle) 430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700										
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(Street)											
DALLAS	DALLAS TX 752										
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
1. Name and Add	ress of Reporting Perso	on [*]									
DIXIE RICE	<u>E AGRICULTU</u>	<u>RE CORP INC</u>									
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)										
5430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700											
(Street)	(Street)										
DALLAS	ТХ	75240									
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
1. Name and Add	ress of Reporting Perso	on [*]									
SIMMONS HAROLD C											
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)										
5430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700											
(Street)											
DALLAS	TX	75240									
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									

Explanation of Responses:

1. Open market purchase by TIMET Finance Management Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationships to the persons joining in this filing.

Directly held by TIMET Finance Management Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationships to the persons joining in this filing.
 Directly held by Valhi Holding Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationship among the persons joining in this filing.

Remarks:

Exhibit Index: Exhibit 99 - Additional Information Harold C. Simmons and Annette C. Simmons own 3,383 and 43,400 shares, respectively, of the common stock of the issuer. Mr. Simmons disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of the issuer's common stock that his spouse owns. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationships among the persons joining in this filing.

A. Andrew R. Louis, Secretary,
for Contran Corporation07/29/2008A. Andrew R. Louis, Secretary,
for Valhi Holding Company07/29/2008A. Andrew R. Louis, Secretary,
for Dixie Rice Agricultural
Corporation, Inc.07/29/2008A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorney-
in-fact, for Harold C. Simmons07/29/2008** Signature of Reporting PersonDate

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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Valhi Holding Company ("VHC"), TIMET Finance Management Company ("TFMC"), the Harold Simmons Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") and The Combined Master Retirement Trust (the "CMRT") are the direct holders of 92.5%, 1.0%

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, c

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

The CMRT 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 CMRT as a trust to permit the collective investment by mast

Mr. Harold C. Simmons is chairman of the board of Valhi, TIMET, VHC, 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 m

The reporting person understands that NL and a subsidiary of NL directly own 3,522,967 shares and 1,186,200 shares, respectively, of Valhi common stock as of the date of this statement. As already stated, Valhi is the d

Harold C. Simmons' spouse is the direct owner of 21,367,875 shares of TIMET common stock, 269,775 shares of NL common stock and 43,400 shares of Valhi common stock. Mr. Simmons may be deemed to share indirect beneficial

Mr. Harold C. Simmons is the direct owner of 7,175,239 shares of TIMET common stock, 880,600 shares of NL common stock and 3,383 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 36,500 shares of Valhi common stock and 17,432 shares of TIMET common sto