### SIMMONS HAROLD C

Form 4

December 12, 2011

## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

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Symbol

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

NL INDUSTRIES INC [NL]

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

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|---|--|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|------------|------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------|--|--|
| (Last)                                  |  |                                |                                 | f Earliest Tr                          | ansaction  |                              |   |  |  |           |  |  |
| 5430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700            |  | (Month/Day/Year)<br>12/12/2011 |                                 |  |            |                              | _X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Chairman of the Board & CEO |  |  |           |  |  |
|   | (Street)                               |                                | 4. If Ame                       | ndment, Da                             | te Origina | 1                            |   | 6. Individual or Jo  | oint/Group Filir   | ng(Check  |  |  |
| DALLAS, TX 75240                        |  |                                | Filed(Month/Day/Year)           |  |            |                              |   | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person               |  |           |  |  |
| (City)                                  | (State)                                | (Zip)                          | Tabl                            | e I - Non-D                            | erivative  | Secur                        | ities Acq   | uired, Disposed o  | f, or Beneficial   | ly Owned  |  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)    | 2. Transaction Dat<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Execution any                  | med<br>on Date, if<br>Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, | ispose<br>4 and<br>(A)<br>or | d of (D)  | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) |           |  |  |
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value | 12/12/2011                             |                                |                                 | P <u>(1)</u>                           | 6          | A                            | \$<br>12.25   | 399,391  | I  | by Spouse |  |  |
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value | 12/12/2011                             |                                |                                 | P <u>(1)</u>                           | 100        | A                            | \$<br>12.38   | 399,491  | I  | by Spouse |  |  |
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value | 12/12/2011                             |                                |                                 | P(1)                                   | 100        | A                            | \$<br>12.39   | 399,591  | I  | by Spouse |  |  |

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| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value | 12/12/2011 | P <u>(1)</u> | 104   | A | \$ 12.4     | 399,695    | I | by Spouse |
|---|------------|--------------|-------|---|-------------|------------|---|-----------|
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value | 12/12/2011 | P(1)         | 300   | A | \$<br>12.41 | 399,995    | I | by Spouse |
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value | 12/12/2011 | P <u>(1)</u> | 100   | A | \$<br>12.42 | 400,095    | I | by Spouse |
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value | 12/12/2011 | P(1)         | 4,296 | A | \$ 12.5     | 404,391    | I | by Spouse |
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value |            |              |       |   |             | 40,387,531 | I | by Valhi  |
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value |            |              |       |   |             | 1,052,054  | D |           |
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value |            |              |       |   |             | 222,100    | I | by TFMC   |
| Common<br>stock<br>\$0.125 par<br>value |            |              |       |   |             | 2,000      | I | by Kronos |

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)

| <ol> <li>Title of</li> </ol> | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.         | 5.         | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and     | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------|
| Derivative                   | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onNumber   | Expiration Date         | Amount of        | Derivative  | Deriv |
| Security                     | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code       | of         | (Month/Day/Year)        | Underlying       | Security    | Secui |
| (Instr. 3)                   | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8) | Derivativ  | e                       | Securities       | (Instr. 5)  | Bene  |
|                              | Derivative  |                     |                    |            | Securities | 3                       | (Instr. 3 and 4) |             | Own   |
|                              | Security    |                     |                    |            | Acquired   |                         |                  |             | Follo |
|                              |             |                     |                    |            |            |                         |                  |             |       |

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(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Relationships

Code V (A) (D) Date

Exercisable

Expiration Title Amount Date or

Number of Shares Repo

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SIMMONS HAROLD C 5430 LBJ FREEWAY, SUITE 1700 DALLAS, TX 75240

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Chairman of the Board & CEO

**Signatures** 

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

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

12/12/2011 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) Open market purchase by the reporting person's spouse.
- (2) 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.
- (3) Directly held by Valhi, Inc. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationship to the reporting person.
- (4) 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.
- (5) Directly held by Kronos Worldwide, Inc. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationship to the reporting person.

#### **Remarks:**

**Exhibit Index** 

**Exhibit 99 Additional Information** 

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