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**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 – July 21, 2009  
(Date of Earliest Event Reported)

**AK STEEL HOLDING CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File No. 1-13696

Delaware

(State of Incorporation)

31-1401455

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

9227 Centre Pointe Drive  
West Chester, OH

(Address of principal executive offices)

45069

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 425-5000

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. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Solicitation material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - 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))
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**Item 7.01      Regulation FD Disclosure.**

AK Steel Holding Corporation is hereby furnishing the following information under Regulation FD:

On July 21, 2009, AK Steel Corporation issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit No. 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein, announcing that its board of directors has authorized the company to make a \$110 million contribution to its pension trust fund.

**Item 9.01      Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibit:

99.1      Press Release issued on July 21, 2009

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**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.

**AK STEEL HOLDING CORPORATION**

By: /s/ David C. Horn  
David C. Horn  
Secretary

Dated: July 21, 2009

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## EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release issued on July 21, 2009



# News Release

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## **AK Steel To Make \$110 Million Pension Trust Fund Contribution**

WEST CHESTER, OH, July 21, 2009 — AK Steel (NYSE: AKS) announced today that its board of directors has authorized the company to make a \$110 million contribution to its pension trust fund. The contribution will be made during the third quarter and is double the company's \$55 million required funding for the balance of 2009.

“AK Steel's solid liquidity position, along with our confidence in the long-term outlook for the company, enables us to make this substantial contribution to our pension fund at this time,” said James L. Wainscott, chairman, president and CEO of AK Steel. “With this contribution, we will not only meet the balance of required pension funding for this year, but also reduce the level of required contributions in 2010.”

This contribution will bring AK Steel's total 2009 pension contributions to \$210 million and the company's total pension contributions since 2005 to more than \$1 billion.

### **About AK Steel**

AK Steel produces flat-rolled carbon, stainless and electrical steels, primarily for automotive, appliance, construction and electrical power generation and distribution markets. The company employs about 6,100 men and women in Middletown, Mansfield, Coshocton and Zanesville, Ohio; Butler, Pennsylvania; Ashland, Kentucky; Rockport, Indiana; and its corporate headquarters in West Chester, Ohio. Additional information about AK Steel is available on the company's web site at [www.aksteel.com](http://www.aksteel.com).

AK Tube LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of AK Steel, employs about 250 men and women in plants in Walbridge, Ohio and Columbus, Indiana. AK Tube produces carbon and stainless electric resistance welded (ERW) tubular steel products for truck, automotive and other markets. Additional information about AK Tube LLC is available on its web site at [www.aktube.com](http://www.aktube.com).

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