
**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 –March 1, 2004
(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.)

703 Curtis Street, Middletown, OH
(Address of principal
executive offices)

45043
Zip Code

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

Item 5. Other Events.

On March 1, 2004, AK Steel Corporation issued a press release regarding the sale of its wholly-owned subsidiary Douglas Dynamics LLC, to DDL Acquisition Corporation. A copy of the press release has been filed as Exhibit No. 99.1 to this Current Report.

Item 7. Exhibits.

(c) Exhibit:

99.1 Press release issued March 1, 2004

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: March 1, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release issued March 1, 2004



News Release

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AK Steel Signs Sale Agreement for Douglas Dynamics

MIDDLETOWN, OH, March 1, 2004 — AK Steel (NYSE: AKS) announced today that it has signed an agreement to sell its wholly-owned subsidiary, Douglas Dynamics, LLC to DDL Acquisition Corporation, formed by Aurora Capital Group of Los Angeles. Douglas Dynamics is one of the country's leading manufacturers of snow and ice removal equipment with operations in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Johnson City, Tennessee and Rockland, Maine. Terms of the sale were not disclosed. The sale is subject to completion of the buyer's due diligence and customary closing conditions, as well as regulatory review. AK Steel said it expects to complete the sale by March 31, 2004.

In October of 2003, AK Steel announced its intention to sell Douglas Dynamics along with the Greens Port Industrial Park located in Houston, Texas and to use the proceeds primarily to reduce debt. On February 13, 2004, AK Steel announced that it had signed an agreement to sell the Greens Port Industrial Park to Greensport Management LLC of Houston. The sale of Greens Port is also expected to be completed by March 31, 2004. AK Steel said it expects the two sales transactions to generate total cash proceeds of approximately \$340 million after estimated fees and expenses, resulting in a pre-tax gain of approximately \$250 million. At this time AK Steel does not anticipate any material income tax payments in conjunction with these transactions.

Headquartered in Middletown, Ohio, AK Steel produces flat-rolled carbon, stainless and electrical steel products for automotive, appliance, construction and manufacturing markets, as well as tubular steel products.

Aurora Capital Group is a private investment firm based in Los Angeles, focused on investing capital in middle-market companies in partnership with operating management.

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