

FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HORN DAVID C		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 1/14/2004	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AK STEEL HOLDING CORP AKS	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) VP Sales and Customer Service <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	
C/O AK STEEL HOLDING CORP 703 CURTIS ST		(Street)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
MIDDLETOWN OH 45043		(City)	(State)	(Zip)
Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)		2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock		23,420	D	

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 5(b)(v).

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Table II -- Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exer- cisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securities (Instr. 4)		4. Con- version or Exercise Price of Deri- vative Security	5. Own- ership Form of Deri- vative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exer- cisable	Expira- tion Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Options	1/14/ 2005	1/14/ 2014	Common Stock	40,000	\$4.565	D	
Stock Options	1/16/ 2004	1/16/ 2013	Common Stock	4,000	\$7.895	D	
Stock Options	1/18/ 2002	1/18/ 2011	Common Stock	4,000	\$9.1875	D	
Stock Options	4/20/ 2001	4/20/ 2010	Common Stock	3,000	\$10.4063	D	
Stock Options	1/17/ 2003	1/17/ 2012	Common Stock	4,000	\$12.13	D	
Stock Option	5/1/ 2000	5/1/ 2009	Common Stock	5,000	\$26.4375	D	

Explanation of Responses:

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.
See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient,
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/s/ Douglas Gant
** Signature of Reporting Person

1/22/2004
Date

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