

NL INDUSTRIES INC  
Form SC 13D/A  
December 02, 2015  
UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D  
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 72)\*

NL Industries, Inc.  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.125 per share  
(Title of Class of Securities)

629156 40 7  
(CUSIP Number)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person  
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

November 20, 2015  
(Date of Event which requires Filing  
of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of sections 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box.

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
Valhi, Inc.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
(a)  
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
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5 CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

7 NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

8 SOLE VOTING POWER  
-0-

9 SHARED VOTING POWER  
40,389,531

10 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
-0-

11 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
40,389,531

12 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
40,389,531

13 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

14 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)  
82.9%

15 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
Valhi Holding Company

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(a)  
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
Not Applicable

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Delaware

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
 Dixie Rice Agricultural Corporation, Inc.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
 (a)  
 (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
 Not applicable

5 CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
 Louisiana

7 NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

8 SOLE VOTING POWER  
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TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
 Contran Corporation

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
 (a)  
 (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
 Not applicable

5 CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
 Delaware

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15 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
 Lisa K. Simmons

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
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 (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
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5 CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

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 USA

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14 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)  
 0.0%

15 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
Serena Simmons Connelly

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
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(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

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USA

7 NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

8 SOLE VOTING POWER -500-  
SHARED VOTING POWER 40,389,531

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER -500-  
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 40,389,531

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
-500-

12 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) ý

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)  
0.0%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
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AMENDMENT NO. 72  
TO SCHEDULE 13D

Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Amendment No. 72 to this Statement on Schedule 13D (this "Statement") shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in Amendment No. 71 to this Statement. This Statement relates to the common stock, par value \$0.125 per share (the "Shares"), of NL Industries, Inc., a New Jersey corporation ("NL"). Items 2, 4, 5 and 6 of this Statement are hereby amended as set forth below. The Reporting Persons (as defined below) are filing this amendment as a result of a change of control of NL resulting from the termination, effective November 20, 2015, of the Voting Agreement.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

Item 2 is amended and supplemented as follows.

(a) The following entities or persons are filing this Statement (collectively, the "Reporting Persons"):

· Valhi, Inc. ("Valhi") as a direct holder of Shares;

· Valhi Holding Company, ("VHC"), Dixie Rice Agricultural Corporation, Inc. ("Dixie Rice") and Contran Corporation ("Contran") by virtue of their direct and indirect ownership of securities of Valhi;

· Lisa K. Simmons by virtue of her being a co-trustee of the Family Trust (as defined and described below) and her position as co-chair of the Contran board of directors (the "Contran Board"); and

· Serena Simmons Connelly by virtue of being co-trustee of the Family Trust and her position as co-chair of the Contran Board.

By signing this Statement, each Reporting Person agrees that this Statement is filed on its or her behalf.

Effective November 20, 2015, the Voting Agreement was terminated in accordance with its terms.

The following is a description of the relationships among the Reporting Persons.

All of Contran's outstanding voting stock is held by a family trust (the "Family Trust") established for the benefit of Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly and their children, for which Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly are co-trustees, or is held directly by Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly or entities related to them. Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly are half-sisters.

Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly also serve as co-chairs of the Contran Board, and two other members of Contran management also serve on the Contran Board. As co-trustees of the Family Trust, Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly have the shared power to vote and direct the disposition of the shares of Contran stock held by the Family Trust, and Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly each have the power to vote and direct the disposition of shares of Contran stock they hold directly or which is held by other entities related to them.



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Contran is the holder of 100% of the outstanding common stock of Dixie Rice and may be deemed to control Dixie Rice. Dixie Rice is the direct holder of 100% of the outstanding common stock of VHC and may be deemed to control VHC.

Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly directly hold, or are related to the following persons or entities that directly hold, the following percentages of the 48,691,884 Shares outstanding as of the close of business on November 30, 2015 based on information from NL (the "Outstanding Shares"):

Valhi	82.9%
Kronos	Less than
Worldwide	0.1%
Serena Simmons	Less than
Connelly	0.1%

Together, Valhi and Kronos Worldwide may be deemed to control NL.

Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly directly hold, or are related to the following persons or entities that directly hold, the following percentages of the outstanding shares of Kronos Worldwide common stock:

Valhi	50.0%
NL	30.4%
Contran	0.1%

Together, Valhi, NL and Contran may be deemed to control Kronos Worldwide.

Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly directly hold, or related to the following persons or entities that directly hold, the following percentages of the outstanding shares of Valhi common stock:

VHC	92.6%
Serena Simmons	Less than
Connelly	0.1%

VHC may be deemed to control Valhi. Contran may be deemed to control VHC, by virtue of its ownership of Dixie Rice shares.

NL (including a wholly owned subsidiary of NL) and Kronos Worldwide own 14,372,970 shares and 1,724,916 shares, respectively, of Valhi common stock. As already stated, Valhi is the direct holder of approximately 82.9% of the outstanding shares of common stock of NL and 50.04% of the outstanding shares of Kronos Worldwide common stock. As a result of Valhi's direct and indirect ownership of NL and Kronos Worldwide and pursuant to Delaware law and Section 13(d)(4) of the Exchange Act, Valhi treats the shares of Valhi common stock that NL and Kronos Worldwide own as treasury stock for voting purposes. For the purposes of this statement, such shares of Valhi common stock that NL and Kronos Worldwide hold are not deemed outstanding.

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By virtue of the stock ownership of each of Kronos Worldwide, NL, Valhi, VHC, Dixie Rice and Contran, the role of Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly as co-trustees of the Family Trust, Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly being beneficiaries of the Family Trust, the direct holdings of Contran voting stock by each of Ms. Simmons, Ms. Connelly and entities related to them, the positions as co-chairs of the Contran Board by each of Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly, in each case as described above, (a) Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly may be deemed to control the Family Trust, Contran, Dixie Rice, VHC, Valhi, NL and Kronos Worldwide and (b) Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly, Contran, Dixie Rice, VHC, Valhi, NL and Kronos Worldwide may be deemed to possess indirect beneficial ownership of, and a pecuniary interest in, shares of common stock directly held by such entities, including any Shares. However, Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly each disclaims beneficial ownership of, and such pecuniary interest in, such shares beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by any of such entities, except to the extent of their direct beneficial ownership in shares of such entities.

The Reporting Persons understand, based on ownership filings with the SEC or upon information provided by the persons listed on Schedule B to this Statement, that such persons may be deemed to own beneficially the Shares as indicated on Schedule C to this Statement.

### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 is amended and supplemented as follows.

Depending upon their evaluation of NL's business and prospects, and upon future developments (including, but not limited to, performance of the Shares in the market, availability of funds, alternative uses of funds, and money, stock market and general economic conditions), any of the Reporting Persons or other entities that may be deemed to be related to Contran may from time to time purchase Shares, and any of the Reporting Persons or other entities that may be deemed to be related to Contran may from time to time dispose of all or a portion of the Shares held by such person, or cease buying or selling Shares. Any such additional purchases or sales of Shares may be in open market or privately negotiated transactions or otherwise.

The information included in Item 2 of this Statement is hereby incorporated herein by reference. As described under Item 2 of this Statement, Ms. Simmons and Ms. Connelly may be deemed to control NL.

Except as described in this Item 4, none of the Reporting Persons nor, to the best knowledge of such persons, any other person named in Schedule B to this Statement has formulated any plans or proposals which relate to or would result in any matter required to be disclosed in response to paragraphs (a) through (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D.

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Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5 is amended and supplemented as follows.

(a) The following entities or persons directly hold the following Shares:

Reporting Persons	Shares Directly Held
Valhi.	40,387,531
Kronos Worldwide	2,000
Serena Simmons Connelly	500
Total	40,390,031

By virtue of the relationships described under Item 2 of this Statement:

(1) Valhi, VHC, Dixie Rice, Contran and Ms. Simmons may each be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the 40,389,531 Shares (approximately 82.9% of the Outstanding Shares) that Kronos Worldwide and Valhi hold directly; and

(2) Ms. Connelly may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the 40,390,031 Shares (approximately 83.0% of the Outstanding Shares) that she, Kronos Worldwide and Valhi hold directly.

(b) By virtue of the relationships described in Item 2 of this Statement:

(1) Valhi, VHC, Dixie Rice, Contran, Ms. Simmons, Ms. Connelly may be deemed to share the power to vote and direct the disposition of the 40,389,531 Shares (approximately 82.9% of the Outstanding Shares) that Kronos Worldwide and Valhi hold directly; and

(2) Ms. Connelly may be deemed to have the sole power to vote and direct the disposition of the 500 Shares (less than 0.1% of the Outstanding Shares) that she directly holds.

(d) Valhi, Kronos Worldwide and Ms. Connelly each has the right to receive and the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, and proceeds from the sale of, the Shares directly held by such entity or person.

(e) The Harold Simmons Foundation, Inc. ceased to be the beneficial owner of 5% of the Outstanding Shares upon the final sale of its Valhi common stock on June 30, 2014. Ms. Annette C. Simmons ceased to be the beneficial owner of 5% of the Outstanding Shares upon the termination of the Voting Agreement as described in Item 2(a) of this Statement.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships With Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Item 6 is amended and supplemented as follows.

The information included in Items 2, 4 and 5 of this Statement is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

To the best of their knowledge, none of the Reporting Persons or any person named in Schedule B to this Statement has any contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship (legal or otherwise) with any person with respect to securities of NL, including, but not limited to, transfer or voting of any such securities, finder's fees, joint ventures, loans or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees of profits, division of profits or losses, or the giving or withholding of proxies.

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Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: December 2, 2015

/s/ Lisa K. Simmons

Lisa K. Simmons

Signing in the capacities listed on Schedule "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: December 2, 2015

/s/ Serena Simmons Connelly

Serena Simmons Connelly, Signing in the capacities listed on Schedule "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: December 2, 2015

/s/ Steven L. Watson

Steven L. Watson, Signing in the capacities listed on Schedule "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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SCHEDULE A

LISA K. SIMMONS, as CO-TRUSTEE of the Family Trust and as CO-CHAIR of the Contran Board.

SERENA SIMMONS CONNELLY, as CO-TRUSTEE of the Family Trust and as CO-CHAIR of the Contran Board.

STEVEN L. WATSON, as VICE CHAIR of the Contran Board and CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, PRESIDENT or CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER of each of:

DIXIE RICE AGRICULTURAL CORPORATION, INC.

VALHI HOLDING COMPANY

VALHI, INC.

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SCHEDULE B

The names of the directors and executive officers of the Reporting Persons and their present principal occupations are set forth below. Except as otherwise indicated, each such person is a citizen of the United States of America and the business address of each such person is 5430 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1700, Dallas, Texas 75240.

Name	Present Principal Occupation
Thomas E. Barry (1)	Vice president for executive affairs at Southern Methodist University and professor of marketing in the Edwin L. Cox School of Business at Southern Methodist University; and a director of Valhi.
Brian W. Christian	Vice president, strategic business development of Kronos Worldwide and senior vice president of Contran.
Serena S. Connelly	Director and co-chair of Contran.
Steven S. Eaton	Vice president and director of internal control over financial reporting of CompX, Kronos Worldwide, NL and Valhi.
Norman S. Edelcup (2)	Chairman of the Sunny Isles Beach Foundation, Inc.; director of CompX and Valhi; and trustee of the Baron Funds, a mutual fund group.
Loretta J. Feehan (3)	Director of CompX, Kronos Worldwide, NL and Valhi; and certified public accountant who consults on financial and tax matters.
L. Andrew Fleck	Director and vice president of Dixie Rice; and vice president-real estate of Contran.
Robert D. Graham	Vice chairman of the board, president and chief executive officer of NL; executive vice president and chief legal officer of Contran and Valhi, and executive vice president of Kronos Worldwide, Dixie Rice and VHC.