KAISER ALUMINUM CORP Form 8-K March 20, 2006

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 (date of earliest event reported): March 14, 2006 KAISER ALUMINUM CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware1-944794-3030279(State of incorporation)(Commission File Number)(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

27422 Portola Parkway, Suite 350 Foothill Ranch, California

(Address of Principal Executive 92610-2831 Offices) (Zip Code)

(949) 614-1740

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

As previously announced, Kerry A. Shiba, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Kaiser Aluminum Corporation (the Company) and its wholly owned subsidiary Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation (KACC), resigned effective as of January 23, 2006. In connection with his resignation, KACC and Mr. Shiba entered into the Release, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Pursuant to the Release, KACC and Mr. Shiba agreed that, in lieu of all other benefits to which Mr. Shiba might otherwise be entitled from KACC and in consideration of his satisfaction of certain post-termination obligations, Mr. Shiba would receive (i) \$141,796.00 representing earned long term incentive awards for 2002 and 2003, (ii) a lump sum of \$135,000, (iii) \$42,576.88 representing payment for his accrued unpaid vacation, (iv) his earned 2005 short term incentive without deduction or modifiers, based on Kaiser s results for 2005, payable by March 31, 2006, (v) an amount equal to Mr. Shiba s 2004 and 2005 earned long term incentive, without deduction or modifiers, based on Kaiser results for 2004 and 2005, payable by March 31, 2006, and (vi) a lump sum of \$135,000.00 to be paid on July 23, 2006. Except as otherwise noted, Mr. Shiba has received each of the foregoing amounts. Under the Release KACC agreed to pay Mr. Shiba s COBRA premiums for his medical and dental coverage through the earlier of (i) the date Mr. Shiba becomes eligible for comparable medical coverage under another employer s health insurance plans and (ii) February 28, 2007.

The Release provides for a mutual release by the KACC and Mr. Shiba. Mr. Shiba is also subject to certain non-competition, non-disclosure and non-solicitation obligations under the Release.

Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

Pursuant to the Release, KACC and Mr. Shiba effectively terminated Mr. Shiba s severance agreement and change in control severance agreement, forms of which were previously filed by the Company as Exhibits 10.17 and 10.19, respectively, to the Company s Annual Report on form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002. Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

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* 10.1 Release between Kerry A. Shiba and Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corporation

* Included with this filing.

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.

KAISER ALUMINUM CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Daniel D. Maddox
Daniel D. Maddox
Vice President and Controller

Dated: March 20, 2006

EXHIBIT INDEX

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