

UNITED STATES
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) January 15, 2009

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-10026

14-0462060

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

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

1373 Broadway, Albany, New York 12204

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (518) 445-2200

None

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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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(17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

Item 2.05. Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities.

Albany International Corp. (the "Company") issued a news release on January 15, 2009 announcing the intention of its subsidiary, Albany International Oy ("AI Oy"), to discontinue operations at its dryer fabric facility in Konala, Finland.

This action is subject to local law, as well as to consultation with employee works councils. The action could affect up to 133 employees.

Works council discussions are expected to begin shortly. Until they are concluded, the Company is unable reasonably to estimate the costs that it would expect to incur in connection with this intended action. The Company will disclose the amount, type and timing of any such costs promptly after they are determined.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 News Release dated January 15, 2009.

Signature

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.

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP.

By: /s/ Michael C. Nahl

Name: Michael C. Nahl

Title: Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 16, 2009

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1	News Release dated January 15, 2009

Albany International Announces Planned Reduction in
Manufacturing Capacity in Europe

Albany, New York, January 15, 2009 - Albany International Oy, an affiliate of Albany International Corp. (NYSE:AIN), announced today its plan to discontinue operations at its dryer fabric manufacturing facility in Konala, Finland. Over the last several years, similar steps have been taken in North America and Europe to match capacity to the global demand for paper machine clothing, as the global paper industry has continued to consolidate and eliminate capacity.

The proposal, if implemented, is estimated to affect up to 133 employees and is subject to review under local law and would be implemented in accordance with such law and in consultation with the Works Council.

The planned action at Konala in no way reflects on the performance of the affected employees; it is a business necessity, driven by the existing and anticipated market conditions.

The company remains committed to the dryer fabric business and will continue to provide customers with strong expertise in Product Application, Sales and Marketing, Service, and Research and Development to ensure outstanding product quality. It is planned that dryer fabric sourcing will continue to be available from manufacturing operations in Germany, China, France, and Mexico.

Albany International is a global advanced textiles and materials processing company. Its core business is the world's leading producer of custom-designed fabrics and belts essential to the production of paper and paperboard. Albany's family of emerging businesses extends its advanced textiles and materials capabilities into a variety of other industries, most notably aerospace composites, nonwovens, building products, and high-performance industrial doors.

Additional information about the Company and its businesses and products is available at www.albint.com.

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