VALHI INC /DE/ Form 4

March 14, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

VALHI INC /DE/ [VHI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Symbol

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

CONTRAN CORP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Middle)

5430 LBJ FRWY, SUITE 1700			(Month/Day/Year) 03/12/2008					DirectorX10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person				
DALLAS,							_X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution D any (Month/Day.		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share	03/12/2008		Code V <u>J(1)</u>	Amount 5,000		Price \$ 22.25	(Instr. 3 and 4) 552,811	I	by TFMC	
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share	03/14/2008		<u>J(1)</u>	5,600	A	\$ 22	558,411	I	by TFMC	
Common stock,							105,538,163	I	by VHC	

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

Estimated average

burden hours per

\$0.01 par value per share

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (Instr.	ction	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
CONTRAN CORP 5430 LBJ FRWY SUITE 1700 DALLAS, TX 75240		X						
VALHI HOLDING CO 5430 LBJ FREEWAY SUITE 1700 DALLAS, TX 75240		X						
DIXIE RICE AGRICULTURE CORP INC 600 PASQUIERE ST GUEYDAN, LA 70542		X						
SIMMONS HAROLD C THREE LINCOLN CENTRE 5430 LBJ FREEWAY STE 1700 DALLAS, TX 75240-2697	X	X	Chairman of the Board					

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Signatures

A. Andrew R. Louis, Secretary, for Contran Corporation 03/14/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

A. Andrew R. Louis, Secretary, for Valhi Holding Company 03/14/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

A. Andrew R. Louis, Secretary, for Dixie Rice Agricultrual
03/14/2008

Corporation, Inc.

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

A. Andrew R. Louis, Attorney-in-fact, for Harold C. Simmons 03/14/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Open market purchase by TIMET Finance Management Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationship to the persons joining in this filing.
- (2) Directly held by TIMET Finance Management Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationship to the persons joining in this filing.
- (3) Directly held by Valhi Holding Company. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationship to the persons joining in this filing.

Remarks:

Exhibit Index:

Exhibit 99 - Additional Information

Harold C. Simmons and Annette C. Simmons own 3,383 and 43,400 shares, respectively, of the common stock of the issuer. I Simmons disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of the issuer's common stock that his spouse owns. See the Additional Information filed as Exhibit 99 to this statement for a description of the relationships among the persons joining in this filing.

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