ALTANA AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT Form 6-K October 07, 2005

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Form 6-K SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rules 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Dated: October 7th, 2005

ALTANA Aktiengesellschaft

(Translation of Registrant s name into English)

Am Pilgerrain 15 D-61352 Bad Homburg v. d. Höhe Federal Republic of Germany

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Yes o No þ

If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the Registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-_____

This Report on Form 6-K is hereby incorporated by reference into the Registrant s Registration Statements on Form S-8, dated September 13, 2002 (File No. 333-99485), dated September 24, 2003 (File No. 333-109074), dated September 24, 2004 (File No. 333-119240), and dated September 26, 2005 (File No. 333-128583).

This Report on Form 6-K contains:

Letter to the New York Stock Exchange, Inc. dated October 6th, 2005

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

ALTANA Aktiengesellschaft

Dated: October 7th, 2005 By: /s/ Dr. Hermann Küllmer

Name: Dr. Hermann Küllmer Title: Chief Financial Officer and

Member of the Management Board

By: /s/ Volker Mansfeld

Name: Volker Mansfeld Title: Legal Counsel

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October 6, 2005

ALTANA Aktiengesellschaft

Dear Mr. Jekel,

in accordance with Section 204.33 of the NYSE Listed Company Manual we hereby submit information about the re-purchase and re-sale of ALTANA shares by ALTANA AG during the third quarter of 2005. Shares have been re-purchased and re-sold exclusively in transactions executed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

Number of treasury shares held by ALTANA AG as per June 30th, 2005:

5,032,856

Number of shares re-purchased from July 1st to September 30th, 2005:

Number of shares disposed of from July 1st to September 30th, 2005:

213,324

Number of treasury shares held by ALTANA AG on September 30th, 2005: With kind regards,

4,819,532

ALTANA AG

/s/ Paul Reuter

/s/ Volker Mansfeld

Dr. Paul Reuter Volker Mansfeld

Vorsitzender des Aufsichtsrats: Justus Mische Vorstand: Dr. h. c. Nikolaus Schweickart (Vorsitzender)

Dr. Hermann Küllmer, Dr. Hans-Joachim Lohrisch, Dr. Matthias Wolfgruber

Sitz und Registergericht: Bad Homburg v. d. Höhe, HRB-Nr. 1933