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SCHEDULE 13D

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 8)***

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP.

(Name of Issuer)

CLASS A COMMON STOCK

(Title of Class of Securities)

012 348 108

(CUSIP Number)

J. Spencer Standish, One Schuyler Meadows Rd., Loudonville, NY 12211 (518) 445-2200

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

N.A.

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1. **Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).**
J. S. Standish Company

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, USA

7. **Sole Voting Power**
868,013

Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With

8. **Shared Voting Power**

9. **Sole Dispositive Power**
868,013

10. **Shared Dispositive Power**

11. **Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person**
868,013

12. **Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)** ☐ ☐

13. **Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)**
2.83%

14. **Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)**
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Item 1.**Security and Issuer**

The title of the class of securities to which this statement relates is the Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value per share (Class A Common Stock), of Albany International Corp., a Delaware corporation (the Company). The address of the principal executive office is 1373 Broadway, Albany, New York 12204.

Item 2.**Identity and Background**

(a) (b) This statement is filed by J. S. Standish Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. The address of the principal business and the principal office of J. S. Standish Company is c/o Fleet National Bank, 69 State Street, Albany, New York 12201. The name and business address of each of the directors and executive officers of J.S. Standish Company is as follows:

Name and Address**Capacity**

J. Spencer Standish
One Schuyler Meadows Road
Loudonville, New York 12211

President,
Treasurer &
Director

Thomas R. Beecher, Jr.
200 Theater Place
Buffalo, New York 14202

Secretary &
Director

John C. Standish
c/o Albany International Corp.
1373 Broadway
Albany, New York 12204

Director

Christine L. Standish
c/o Albany International Corp.
1373 Broadway
Albany, New York 12204

Director

The name and address of the holder of all of the outstanding stock of J. S. Standish Company is Fleet National Bank, Trustee u/w John C. Standish, 69 State Street, Albany, New York 12201. J. Spencer Standish has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to such stock.

(c) The principal business of J. S. Standish Company is investments. J. Spencer Standish is retired. Prior to 1998, he served as Chairman of the Board of the Company. Thomas R. Beecher, Jr. s present principal occupation is President of Ballynoe Inc., the principal business of which is investments and the address of the principal office of which is 200 Theater Place, Buffalo, New York 14202. John C. Standish s present principal occupation is Director, PAC Pressing and Process Technology for the Company. He also serves as a Director of the

Company. Christine L. Standish's present principal occupation is raising her children. She is also a Director of the Company.

(d) (e) During the last five years none of (i) J. S. Standish Company, (ii) J. Spencer Standish, (iii) Thomas R. Beecher, Jr., (iv) John C. Standish, or (v) Christine L. Standish has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction, as a result of which such person was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

(f) Each of J. Spencer Standish, Thomas R. Beecher, Jr., John C. Standish and Christine L. Standish is a citizen of the United States of America.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

All of the 868,013 shares of Class A Common Stock beneficially owned by J. S. Standish Company are issuable upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock of the Company (Class B Common Stock) held directly by J. S. Standish Company. As of March 10, 2002, J. S. Standish Company beneficially owned 3,368,013 shares of Class B Common Stock. Of the shares of Class B Common Stock beneficially owned by J. S. Standish Company at that time, (a) 5,100 shares were acquired by purchase from Mr. J. S. Standish in August, 1996 at \$18.125 per share, and (b) 3,200,000 shares had been beneficially owned since issuance in 1987 in exchange for shares of the predecessor of the Company. (J. S. Standish Company beneficially held such shares of the predecessor for several years prior to such exchange.) The remainder of the shares had been received in the form of dividends declared by the Company on all outstanding shares of Class A and Class B Common Stock.

Amendment No. 7 to this Schedule 13D reported 937,249 shares of Class A Common Stock as owned by J. S. Standish Company, of which 868,013 were issuable upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock, and 69,236 were held by the J. S. Standish Company Charitable Remainder Unitrust, of which J. S. Standish Company is a beneficiary. Since the filing date of Amendment No. 7 to this Schedule 13D, June 20, 2003, J. S. Standish Company Charitable Remainder Unitrust sold all of the 69,236 Class A shares it held, resulting in the 868,013 Class B shares still held directly by J. S. Standish Company (see Item 4 below).

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

During 2002, J. S. Standish Company and the Standish Delta Trust entered into a written plan covering a proposed sale of up to 2.7 million shares of the Company's Common Stock. The Plan was intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Pursuant to the terms of the 10b5-1 Plan, entered into with Credit Suisse First Boston Corporation, up to 200,000 shares of Class A Common Stock and 2,500,000 shares of Class B

Common Stock could be sold during the period from August 1, 2002 through December 31, 2003, subject to such price, volume, timing and other provisions as specified in the Plan. Shares of Class B Common Stock sold under the Plan would automatically be converted to shares of Class A Common Stock at the time of the sale.

This plan was terminated in May, 2003 to permit the charitable donation by the J. S. Standish Company of 500,000 Class B shares described in Item 3 above. The Class B shares automatically converted to Class A shares as a result of the transfer. At the same time, the remaining 593,817 Class B shares not sold under the terminated 10b5-1 plan were converted into an equal number of Class A shares and transferred to the J. S. Standish Charitable Remainder Unitrust. The J. S. Standish Company Charitable Remainder Unitrust, the Standish Delta Trust and Credit Suisse First Boston Corporation entered into a new 10b5-1 plan relating to the 593,817 Class A shares held by the J. S. Standish Company Charitable Remainder Unitrust, as well as the 200,000 shares of Class A Common stock still held by the Standish Delta Trust. The new 10b5-1 plan had a termination date of May 5, 2004, and otherwise had the same terms and conditions as the previously announced 10b5-1 plan.

As of the date of this filing, all 2,700,000 shares of Class A Common Stock initially available for sale under the foregoing 10b5-1 plans have been sold or otherwise disposed of.

In electing directors of the Company, the Class B Common Stock is entitled to ten votes per share while the Class A Common Stock is entitled to one vote per share.

Item 5.

Interest in Securities of the Issuer

(a)

(1) As described in the response to Item 3 above, J. S. Standish Company beneficially owns 868,013 shares of Class A Common Stock (2.83% of the Class A Common Stock outstanding) issuable on conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock.

(2) J. Spencer Standish beneficially owns 2,599,707 shares of Class A Common Stock (8.02% of the Class A Common Stock outstanding) of which (i) 16,000 shares are issuable to him upon the exercise of stock options at \$15 per share, (ii) 1,454,294 shares are issuable to trusts under the wills of John C. and Florence Standish upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock (J. Spencer Standish has sole voting and investment power with respect to such shares), (iii) 120,000 shares are issuable to the Christine L. Standish Delta Trust upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock (J. Spencer Standish has sole voting and investment power with respect to such shares), (iv) 120,000 shares are issuable to the John C. Standish Delta Trust upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock (J. Spencer Standish has sole voting and investment power with respect to such shares), (v) 10,700 shares are issuable to the Christine L. Standish Gift Trust upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock (J. Spencer Standish has sole voting and investment power with respect to such shares), (vi) 10,700 shares are

issuable to the John C. Standish Gift Trust upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock (J. Spencer Standish has sole voting and investment power with respect to such shares) and (vii) 868,013 shares are issuable to J. S. Standish Company upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock (J. Spencer Standish is President and a director, and has the power to elect and remove all of the directors, of J. S. Standish Company. These holdings reflect the sale of 69,236 Class A shares by the J. S. Standish Company Charitable Remainder Unitrust on July 28, 2003. J. S. Standish Company is a beneficiary of such trust.

(3) Thomas R. Beecher, Jr. beneficially owns 657,656 shares of Class A Common Stock (2.16% of the Class A Common Stock outstanding) of which (i) 10,320 shares are owned directly, (ii) 1,711 shares are held by the Messer Foundation (Mr. Beecher shares voting and investment power with respect to such shares), (iii) 494,307 shares are issuable to trusts for the benefit of John C. Standish and Christine L. Standish (Mr. Beecher is sole trustee with sole voting and investment power with respect to such shares) upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock and (iv) 151,318 shares are issuable to the Standish Delta Trust upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock (Mr. Beecher is trustee with shared voting and investment power with respect to such shares. These holdings reflect (A) the exercise of 200,000 stock options at \$15.50 per share held by the Standish Delta Trust (of which Mr. Beecher is trustee with shared voting and investment power), as follows: (i) 102,569 shares on July 14, 2003, (ii) 59,407 shares on July 21, 2003 and (iii) 38,024 shares on July 28, 2003, and (B) the sale on July 28, 2003 of 69,236 shares held by the J. S. Standish Company Charitable Remainder Unitrust. (Mr. Beecher is the sole trustee with sole voting and investment power with respect to such shares.)

(4) John C. Standish beneficially owns 172,327 shares of Class A Common Stock (0.58% of the Class A Common Stock outstanding) of which (i) 18,480 shares are issuable to him upon the exercise of stock options, exercisable currently or within 60 days, at various exercise prices from \$10.5625 to \$22.25 per share, (ii) 1,704 shares are issuable to him upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock, (iii) 825 shares are held in his account in the Company's 401(k) retirement savings and employee stock ownership plans and (iv) 151,318 shares are issuable to the Standish Delta Trust upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock (John C. Standish shares voting and investment power with respect to such shares). These holdings reflect the exercise of 200,000 stock options at \$15.50 per share held by the Standish Delta Trust, as follows: (i) 102,569 shares on July 14, 2003, (ii) 59,407 shares on July 21, 2003 and (iii) 38,024 shares on July 28, 2003. (Mr. Standish shares voting and investment power with respect to such shares.)

(5) Christine L. Standish beneficially owns 169,595 shares of Class A Common Stock (0.57% of the Class A Common Stock outstanding) of which (i) 2,708 shares are owned directly, (ii) 12,000 shares are issuable to her upon the exercise of stock options at \$15 per share, (iii) 1,704 shares are issuable to her upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock, (iv) 1,865 shares are held by Ms. Standish (previously an employee of the Company) or her husband (an employee of the

Company), in their respective accounts in the Company's 401(k) retirement savings and employee stock ownership plans and (v) 151,318 shares are issuable to the Standish Delta Trust upon conversion of an equal number of shares of Class B Common Stock (Christine L. Standish shares voting and investment power with respect to such shares). These holdings reflect the exercise of 200,000 stock options at \$15.50 per share held by the Standish Delta Trust, as follows: (i) 102,569 shares on July 14, 2003, (ii) 59,407 shares on July 21, 2003 and (iii) 38,024 shares on July 28, 2003. (Ms. Standish shares voting and investment power with respect to such shares.)

(b) Each of the persons named in clause (a) of this Item 5 has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares of Class A Common Stock reported as beneficially owned by such person, except as described above.

(c) - (e) Not applicable.

Item 6.

Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

None.

Item 7.

Material to Be Filed as Exhibits

None.

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.

August 28, 2003

Date

J. S. STANDISH COMPANY

/s/ J. Spencer Standish

Signature

J. Spencer Standish / President

Name/Title