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February 22, 2012

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 February 17, 2012

earliest

event

reported)

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its

charter)

Delawate026 14-0462060

(State

other(Commission (I.R.S. Employer jurisd Fiction Number) Identification No.)

of

incorporation)

216 Airport Drive,

03867

Rochester, NH

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal

executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including

area code (518) 445-2200

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)
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- " pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

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Item 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

Item 2.03 CREATION OF A DIRECT FINANCIAL OBLIGATION

On February 17, 2012, Albany International Corp. ("the Registrant"), and certain subsidiaries, executed the First Amendment (the "Amendment") to the Amended and Restated Note Agreement and Guaranty, dated as of July 16, 2010 (as further amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Note Agreement"), among the Registrant, the Guarantors named therein, and the holders of Notes from time to time party thereto. The effect of the First Amendment is to permit the Registrant to engage in certain transactions for the purpose of settling certain pension obligations.

A copy of the First Amendment is furnished as an Exhibit to this report. A copy of the Note Agreement was previously filed as an exhibit to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 23, 2010.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are being furnished herewith:

10(k) (xi) First Amendment, dated as of February 17, 2012.

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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/ John B. Cozzolino Name: John B. Cozzolino

Title: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Date: February 22, 2012

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Exhibit No. Description

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