

FERRARA ALBERT E JR  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 FERRARA ALBERT E JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AK STEEL HOLDING CORP  
 [AKS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 703 CURTIS STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/19/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Vice President Finance and CFO

MIDDLETOWN, OH 45043

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	01/19/2006		A		11,250	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	01/20/2006		F		1,794	D	\$ 7.83
							54,626
							52,832

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 7.885	01/19/2006		A	3,750	01/19/2007 01/19/2016	Common Stock	3,750
Stock Option	\$ 7.885	01/19/2006		A	3,750	01/19/2008 01/19/2016	Common Stock	3,750
Stock Option	\$ 7.885	01/19/2006		A	3,750	01/19/2009 01/19/2016	Common Stock	3,750
Performance Shares	(1)	01/19/2006		A	8,437.5 (1)	12/31/2008 12/31/2008	Common Stock	(1)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FERRARA ALBERT E JR 703 CURTIS STREET MIDDLETOWN, OH 45043			Vice President Finance and CFO	

## Signatures

/s/Albert E.  
Ferrara, Jr. 01/23/2006

\*\*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) The Performance Share award consisted of 8,437.5 derivative securities and an additional 8,437.5 Performance Shares which do not constitute derivative securities and are therefore not currently reportable. The 8,437.5 derivative securities awarded may result in the issuance of shares of common stock in an amount 0 to 1.5 times the amount of derivative securities awarded, depending on the level of performance achieved.

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