

DOUGLAS DYNAMICS, INC  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**Amendment No. 5**

to

**FORM S-1**

REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

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**DOUGLAS DYNAMICS, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**3531**  
(Primary Standard Industrial  
Classification Code Number)  
**7777 North 73<sup>rd</sup> Street**  
**Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53223**  
**(414) 354-2310**

**134275891**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including  
area code, of registrant's of principal executive offices)

**James L. Janik**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer**  
**Douglas Dynamics, Inc.**  
**7777 North 73<sup>rd</sup> Street**  
**Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53223**  
**(414) 354-2310**

(Name, address and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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**As soon as practicable after this Registration Statement becomes effective.**

(Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public)

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer   
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

## CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered(1)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(2)	Amount of Registration Fee
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	11,500,000	\$184,000,000	\$13,119.20(3)

- (1) Includes 1,500,000 shares that the underwriters have the option to purchase to cover overallocments, if any.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of computing the amount of the registration fee, in accordance with Rule 457(a) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933.
- (3) Previously paid.

**THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(A) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(A), MAY DETERMINE.**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Amendment No. 5 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of Douglas Dynamics, Inc. (File No. 333- 164590) is being filed solely to file the exhibits listed in the exhibit index hereto as being "Filed herewith."

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**PART II****INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN THE PROSPECTUS****ITEM 13. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION.**

The table below lists various expenses, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, we expect to incur in connection with the sale and distribution of the securities being registered hereby. All the expenses are estimates, except the Securities and Exchange ("SEC") registration fee, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") filing fee and the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") listing fee. All such expenses will be borne by the Company; none of the expenses will be borne by the selling stockholders.

Type	Amount
SEC Registration Fee	\$ 13,119.20
FINRA Filing Fee	18,900
NYSE Fee	*
Legal fees and expenses	*
Accounting fees and expenses	*
Printing and engraving expenses	*
Transfer agent and registrar fees	*
Miscellaneous expenses	*
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ *</b>

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**ITEM 14. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.**

Section 102 of the Delaware General Corporation Law ("DGCL"), allows a corporation to eliminate the personal liability of directors of a corporation to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except where the director breached the duty of loyalty, failed to act in good faith, engaged in intentional misconduct or knowingly violated a law, authorized the payment of a dividend or approved a stock repurchase in violation of Delaware corporate law or obtained an improper personal benefit. The certificate of incorporation that we plan to adopt prior to the consummation of this offering (such certificate of incorporation being "our new certificate of incorporation") will include a provision that eliminates the personal liability of our directors for monetary damages to the extent permitted by Section 102 of the DGCL.

Section 145 of the DGCL provides for the indemnification of officers, directors and other corporate agents in terms sufficiently broad to indemnify such persons under circumstances for liabilities (including reimbursement for expenses incurred) arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

The bylaws that we intend to adopt prior to the consummation of this offering (such bylaws being "our new bylaws") will provide for indemnification of our officers, directors, employees and agents to the extent and under the circumstances permitted under the DGCL.

In addition to the indemnification to be provided by our new bylaws, prior to the consummation of this offering, we will enter into agreements to indemnify our directors and executive officers. These agreements, subject to certain exceptions, will require us to, among other things, indemnify these directors and executive officers for certain expenses, including attorney fees, witness fees and expenses, expenses of accountants and other advisors, and the premium, security for and other costs relating to any bond, arising out of that person's services as a director or officer of us or any of our subsidiaries or any other company or enterprise to which the person provides services at our request.

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The Underwriting Agreement to be filed as Exhibit 1.1 will provide for indemnification by the underwriters of us, our directors and officers, and by us of the underwriters, for some liabilities arising under the Securities Act, and affords some rights of contribution with respect thereto.

### ITEM 15. RECENT SALES OF UNREGISTERED SECURITIES.

In the three years preceding the filing of this registration statement, we have issued the following securities that were not registered under the Securities Act. The following share numbers and dollar amounts do not give effect to the 23.75 for-one stock split of our common stock that will occur prior to the consummation of this offering.

Since August 15, 2007, certain of our executive officers and former executive officers exercised options granted pursuant to the Douglas Dynamics, Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan to purchase an aggregate of 8,875 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$100 per share. Certain of our executive officers and former executive officers delivered a promissory note and pledge and security agreement to the company in respect of the aggregate exercise price of such options. See "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions Promissory Notes / Pledge and Security Agreements."

The sales of the above securities were exempt from registration under the Securities Act in reliance on Rule 701 promulgated under Section 3(b) of the Securities Act as transactions pursuant to benefit plans and contracts relating to compensation.

### ITEM 16. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES.

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4.5#	Form of Douglas Holdings, Inc. Guarantee for Douglas Dynamics, L.L.C. and Douglas Dynamics Finance Company 7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> % senior notes due 2012.
5.1#	Opinion of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP.
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10.40**	Form of Second Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Securityholders Agreement among Douglas Dynamics, Inc. and certain of its stockholders, optionholders and warrant holders.
10.41#	Amended and Restated Joint Management Services Agreement among Douglas Dynamics, Inc., Douglas Dynamics, L.L.C., Aurora Management Partners LLC and ACOF Management, L.P. dated as of April 12, 2004.
10.42#	Form of Second Amended and Restated Joint Management Services Agreement among Douglas Dynamics, Inc., Douglas Dynamics, L.L.C., Aurora Management Partners LLC, and ACOF Management, L.P.
10.43#	Form of Director and Officer Indemnification Agreement.
21.1#	Subsidiaries of Douglas Dynamics, Inc.
23.1#	Consent of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, LLP (included as part of Exhibit 5.1)
23.2#	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.
24.1#	Power of Attorney (included on signature page of Registration Statement hereto).

\*  
Filed herewith

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To be filed by amendment

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Previously filed

### **ITEM 17. UNDERTAKINGS.**

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to provide to the underwriters at the closing specified in the underwriting agreement, certificates in such denominations and registered in such names as required by the underwriters to permit prompt delivery to each purchaser.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933, or the Act, may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the





event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that:

- (a) For purposes of determining any liability under the Act, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective; and
- (b) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof; and
- (c) For the purpose of determining liability under the Act to any purchaser, each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than registration statements relying on Rule 430B or other than prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A, shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use; and
- (d) For the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Act to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities: The undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:
  - i. Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
  - ii. Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;
  - iii. The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and
  - iv. Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant has duly caused this Amendment No. 5 to Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on April 22, 2010.

DOUGLAS DYNAMICS, INC.

By:           /s/ JAMES L. JANIK          

James L. Janik  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the following persons have signed this Amendment No. 5 to Registration Statement in the capacities and on the date indicated.

*		President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Director	April 22, 2010
	James L. Janik		
*		Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	April 22, 2010
	Robert McCormick		
*		Controller	April 22, 2010
	Robert Young		
*		Director	April 22, 2010
	Mark Rosenbaum		
*		Director	April 22, 2010
	Michael Marino		
*		Director	April 22, 2010
	Jack O. Peiffer		
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\*By:           /s/ JAMES L. JANIK            
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23.2#	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.
24.1#	Power of Attorney (included on signature page of Registration Statement hereto).

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