

HEXCEL CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
December 29, 2004

**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**

**December 29, 2004**      **(December 23, 2004)**

Date of report      (Date of earliest event reported)

**Hexcel Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State of Incorporation)

**1-8472**  
(Commission File No.)

**94-1109521**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**Two Stamford Plaza**

**281 Tresser Boulevard**

**Stamford, Connecticut 06901-3238**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

**(203) 969-0666**

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Section 8 Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 23, 2004, certain stockholders of Hexcel sold 3,149,998 shares of Hexcel common stock as a result of the exercise by the underwriters of an over-allotment option granted in connection with a previously announced and completed secondary offering. A copy of the press release announcing the closing of this transaction is filed as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated December 23, 2004.

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

December 29, 2004

HEXCEL CORPORATION

/s/ Ira J. Krakower  
Ira J. Krakower  
Senior Vice President

Exhibit Index

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                     |
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| 99.1               | Press Release dated December 23, 2004. |