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May 24, 2006

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES & EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No.2*)

Oil-Dri Corporation of America
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)

677864100
(CUSIP Number)

Michael Emanuel, Esq.
c/o Loeb Partners Corporation
61 Broadway, N.Y., N.Y., 10006 (212) 483-7047
(Name, address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices
and Communications)

April 10, 2006
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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SCHEDULE 13D

CUSIP NO. 677864100

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Loeb Partners Corporation

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [X]
(b) []

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3 SEC USE ONLY
4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

WC, O

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED []
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
Delaware

NUMBER OF	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
SHARES		7,238 Shares of Common stock
BENEFICIALLY	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY		-----
EACH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING		7,238 Shares of Common stock
PERSON WITH	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

7,238 Shares of Common stock

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
0.12%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
CO, BD, IA

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Loeb Arbitrage Fund

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [X]
(b) []

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PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

New York

NUMBER OF	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
SHARES		169,447 Shares of Common stock
BENEFICIALLY	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY		-----
EACH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

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REPORTING 169,447 Shares of Common stock
PERSON WITH 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

- 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
169,447 Shares of Common stock
- 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
- 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
2.83%
- 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
PN, BD

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- 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Loeb Offshore Fund Ltd.
- 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) [X]
(b) []
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- 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED []
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)
- 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
Cayman Islands

NUMBER OF 7 SOLE VOTING POWER
SHARES 31,303 Shares of Common stock
BENEFICIALLY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY -----
EACH 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING 31,303 Shares of Common stock
PERSON WITH 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

- 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

31,303 Shares of Common stock
- 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
- 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
0.52%
- 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
CO

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CUSIP NO. 677864100

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Loeb Marathon Fund LP

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a)

(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

WC, O

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED []
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

7 SOLE VOTING POWER
45,331 Shares of Common stock

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
45,331 Shares of Common stock

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

45,331 Shares of Common Stock

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
0.76%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

PN

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Loeb Marathon Offshore Fund, Ltd.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a)

(b)

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5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED []
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
Cayman Islands

NUMBER OF	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
SHARES		31,999 Shares of Common stock
BENEFICIALLY	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY		-----
EACH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING		31,999 Shares of Common stock
PERSON WITH	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

31,999 Shares of Common Stock

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
0.53%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
CO

Item 1. Security and Issuer.

This statement refers to the Common Stock of Oil-Dri Corporation of America, 410 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL., 60611.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

Loeb Arbitrage Fund ("LAF"), 61 Broadway, New York, New York, 10006, is a New York limited partnership. It is a registered broker/dealer. Its general partner is Loeb Arbitrage Management, Inc., ("LAM"), a Delaware corporation, with the same address. Its President is Gideon J. King. The other officers of LAM are Thomas L. Kempner, Chairman of the Board, President, Peter A. Tcherepnine, Vice President, Edward J. Campbell, Vice President. Loeb Partners Corporation ("LPC"), 61 Broadway, New York, New York, 10006, is a Delaware corporation. It is a registered broker/dealer and a registered investment adviser. Thomas L. Kempner is its President and a director and its Chief Executive Officer. Norman N. Mintz is a Vice President and also a director. Gideon J. King is Executive Vice President. Loeb Holding Corporation ("LHC"), a Maryland corporation, 61 Broadway, New York, New York, 10006 is the sole stockholder of LAM and LPC. Thomas L. Kempner is its President and a director as well as its Chief Executive Officer and majority stockholder. Norman N. Mintz and Peter A. Tcherepnine are also directors. Loeb Offshore Fund, Ltd., ("LOF") is a Cayman Islands exempted company. Loeb Offshore Management, LLC ("LOM") is a Delaware limited liability company, a registered investment adviser and is wholly owned by Loeb Holding Corporation. It is the investment adviser of LOF. Gideon J. King and Thomas L. Kempner are Directors of LOF and Managers of LOM. Loeb Marathon Fund ("LMF") is a Delaware limited partnership whose general partner is LAM. Loeb Marathon Offshore Fund Ltd. ("LMOF") is a Cayman Islands exempted company. LOM is the investment adviser of LMOF. All of the individuals named are United States citizens. None have been, within the last five years, 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

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jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding been or are 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 violations with respect to such laws.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Compensation.

 Shares of Common Stock were acquired by LAF, LPC, LMF, LOF and LMOF in margin accounts maintained with Bear Stearns Securities Corp.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

 LAF, LPC, LMF, LOF and LMOF ("Loeb") have acquired shares of Common Stock for investment purposes.

Loeb intends to review its investment in the Issuer on a continuing basis and may engage in discussions with management and the Board of Directors of the Issuer concerning the business, operations and future plans of the Issuer. Depending on various factors, including, without limitation, the Issuer's financial position and investment strategy, the price levels of the Common Stock, conditions in the securities markets and general economic and industry conditions, Loeb may in the future take such actions with respect to its investment in the Issuer as it deems appropriate including, without limitation, seeking Board representation, making proposals to the Issuer concerning the capitalization and operations of the Issuer, purchasing additional Common Stock, selling some or all of its Common Stock, engaging in short selling of or any hedging or similar transaction with respect to the Common Stock or changing its intention partially or entirely with respect to any and all matters referred to in Item 4.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

 (a) The persons reporting hereby owned the following shares of Common Stock as of May 22, 2006.

Shares of Common Stock

Loeb Arbitrage Fund	169,447
Loeb Partners Corporation	7,238
Loeb Offshore Fund Ltd.	31,303
Loeb Marathon Fund LP	45,331
Loeb Marathon Offshore Fund Ltd.	31,999

	285,318

The total shares of Common Stock constitutes 4.77% the 5,986,000 outstanding shares of Common Stock as reported by the issuer.

(b) See paragraph (a) above.

(c) The following purchases of Common Stock have been made in the last sixty (60) days by the following:

Sales of Common Stock

Holder	Date	Shares	Average Price
Loeb Partners Corp.	03-27-06	64	\$19.84
	04-03-06	85	20.20
	04-04-06	77	20.15
	04-05-06	77	21.18

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04-06-06	129	21.26
04-07-06	25	21.02
04-10-06	269	21.23
04-21-06	85	22.46
04-24-06	22	21.92
04-25-06	32	22.02
04-26-06	27	21.82
05-17-06	470	19.42
05-22-06	18	19.22

Holder	Date	Shares	Average Price
Loeb Arbitrage Fund	03-27-06	1460	\$19.48
	04-03-06	1925	20.20
	04-04-06	1757	20.15
	04-05-06	1757	21.18
	04-06-06	2933	21.32
	04-07-06	586	21.02
	04-24-06	531	21.92
	04-25-06	768	22.02
	04-26-06	653	21.82
	05-17-06	2630	19.42
	05-22-06	407	19.22

Holder	Date	Shares	Average Price
Loeb Offshore Fund	03-27-06	271	\$19.48
	04-03-06	358	20.20
	04-04-06	326	20.15
	04-05-06	326	21.18
	04-06-06	545	21.26
	04-07-06	109	21.02
	04-10-06	451	21.23
	04-21-06	15	22.46
	04-24-06	97	21.92
	04-25-06	140	22.02
	04-26-06	120	21.82
05-17-06	00	19.42	
05-22-06	75	19.22	

Holder	Date	Shares	Average Price
Loeb Marathon Fund LP	03-27-06	423	\$19.48
	04-03-06	320	20.20
	04-04-06	504	20.15
	04-05-06	504	21.18
	04-06-06	836	21.26
	04-07-06	168	21.02
	04-10-06	168	21.23
	04-24-06	150	21.92
	04-25-06	216	22.02
	05-12-06	2100	20.39
	05-22-06	2626	19.22

Holder	Date	Shares	Average Price
Loeb Marathon Offshore Fund, Ltd.	03-27-06	282	\$19.48
	04-03-06	212	20.20
	04-04-06	336	20.15
	04-05-06	336	21.18
	04-06-06	557	21.26
	04-07-06	112	21.02
	04-10-06	112	21.23
04-24-06	100	21.92	

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04-25-06	144	22.02
05-22-06	1374	19.22

All reported transactions were effected on NYSE.

(d) Not applicable.

(e). Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to the Issuer.

None.

Item 7. Materials 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.

May 24, 2006

Loeb Partners Corporation

By: /s/ Gideon J. King
Executive Vice President

May 24, 2006

Loeb Arbitrage Fund
By: Loeb Arbitrage Management, Inc., G.P.

By: /s/ Gideon J. King
President

May 24, 2006

Loeb Offshore Fund Ltd.

By: /s/ Gideon J. King
Director

May 24, 2006

Loeb Marathon Fund LP
By: Loeb Arbitrage Management, Inc., G.P.

By: /s/ Gideon J. King
President

May 24, 2006

Loeb Marathon Offshore Fund Ltd.

By: /s/ Gideon J. King
Director