AK STEEL HOLDING CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Howell Keith J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AK STEEL HOLDING CORP

[AKS]

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

01/22/2014

9227 CENTRE POINTE DRIVE

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(7:m)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

V.P. Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

WEST CHESTER, OH 45069

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or		of (D) 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/22/2014		A	12,000	A	\$0	85,919	D	
Common Stock	01/23/2014		F	1,410	D	\$ 6.705	84,509	D	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.72	01/22/2014		A	16,000	01/22/2015(1)	01/22/2024	Common Stock	16
Performance Shares	(2)	01/22/2014		A	9,250 (3)	12/31/2016	12/31/2016	Common Stock	9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Howell Keith J 9227 CENTRE POINTE DRIVE WEST CHESTER, OH 45069			V.P. Operations				

Signatures

/s/ Keith J.
Howell

**Signature of Reporting Person

O1/23/2014

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) Options vest in three equal annual installments beginning one year after grant date.
- Each Performance Share represents a contingent right to receive 0 to 1.5 shares of Common Stock. The conversion rate (0, .5, 1 or 1.5) (2) ultimately applied to these Performance Shares will be determined based on the compounded annual growth rate ("CAGR") of the Common Stock between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2016 (the "Performance Period").
- This represents one half of the Performance Shares which were awarded on January 22, 2014 and are required to be reported at this time (3) because they constitute derivative securities. The other half do not constitute derivative securities and therefore are not required to be reported at this time.
- (4) The number of shares of Common Stock underlying this grant of the Performance Shares will be 0 to 1.5 times the number of Performance Shares granted depending on the CAGR achieved during the Performance Period.

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