

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) November 20, 2008

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-10026

14-0462060

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(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1373 Broadway, Albany, New York 12204

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (518) 445-2200

None

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

Item 2.05. Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities.

Albany International Corp. (the "Company") issued a news release on November 20, 2008 announcing the intention of its subsidiary, Wurttembergische Filztuchfabrik D. Geschmay GmbH ("WFG") to consolidate manufacturing operations at its paper machine clothing manufacturing operations in Goppingen, Germany.

The consolidation is subject to local law, as well as to consultation with employee works councils. The consolidation could affect up to 110 employees.

Works council discussions are expected to begin shortly. Until they are concluded, the Company is unable reasonably to estimate the costs that it would expect to incur in connection with this intended action. The Company will disclose the amount, type and timing of any such costs promptly after they are determined.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 News Release dated November 20, 2008.

Signature

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

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP.

By: /s/ Michael C. Nahl

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Name: Michael C. Nahl

Title: Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 20, 2008

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
----- 99.1	----- News Release dated November 20, 2008

Albany International Announces Planned Personnel Reduction in Europe

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Albany, New York, November 20, 2008 - Wurttembergische Filztuchfabrik D. Geschmay GmbH, an affiliate of Albany International Corp. (NYSE:AIN), announced today its intention to reduce personnel at its facility in Goppingen, Germany. The personnel reduction is the result of the continuing consolidation of customers in Europe and the need to balance the Company's paper machine clothing manufacturing capacity in Europe with anticipated paper mill demand. Similar steps have been taken by the Company over the last few years in both Europe and North America, as the global paper and paperboard industry continues to shift capacity from traditional paper markets to new emerging markets.

The reduction is subject to review under local law and will be implemented in accordance with such law and in consultation with the Works Council.

The planned action at Goppingen in no way reflects on the performance of the affected employees; it is a business necessity, driven by the existing and anticipated market conditions. The reduction of personnel is expected to become effective by March 31, 2009.

Albany International is a global advanced textiles and materials processing company. Its core business is the world's leading producer of custom-designed fabrics and belts essential to the production of paper and paperboard. Albany's family of emerging businesses extends its advanced textiles and materials capabilities into a variety of other industries, most notably aerospace composites, nonwovens, building products, and high-performance industrial doors. Additional information about the Company and its businesses and products is available at [www.albint.com](http://www.albint.com).

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