## U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

# CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report: December 21, 2006 (Date of earliest event reported)

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-16214
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission of incorporation) file number)

14-0462060 (IRS employer

file number) identification no.)

1373 Broadway, Albany, New York 12204 (518) 445-2200

(Address and telephone number of the registrant's principal executive offices)

Item 301. Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing

On December 21, 2006, Albany International Corp. ("Albany") sent written notice to NYSE Arca, Inc. ("NYSE Arca") of its intention to voluntarily withdraw the listing of its common stock from NYSE Arca. Albany's Class A Common Stock will continue to be listed on the New York Stock Exchange. On or about January 2, 2007, Albany will file a Form 25 to notify the Securities and Exchange Commission and NYSE Arca of its intention to voluntarily withdraw the listing of its Class A Common Stock from NYSE Arca. By operation of law, the delisting application will be effective 10 days after such filing, unless withdrawn by Albany in advance of such date. The news release announcing our intent to voluntarily withdraw the listing from NYSE Arca is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 News release issued on December 21, 2006.

### 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/ Christopher J. Connally

Name: Christopher J. Connally Title: Corporate Treasurer

Date: December 21, 2006

### Index to Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 News release dated December 21, 2006

#### Exhibit 99.1

## ALBANY INTERNATIONAL ANNOUNCES VOLUNTARY DELISTING FROM NYSE ARCA

Albany, New York, December 21, 2006 - Albany International Corp. (NYSE:AIN) announced today that it plans to voluntarily withdraw its Class A Common Stock from listing on NYSE Arca, Inc., formerly the Pacific Exchange. Albany's Class A Common Stock will continue to be listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

The decision was made to eliminate duplicative administrative requirements inherent with dual listings as a result of the NYSE Group's recent merger with Archipelago Holdings, the parent company of NYSE Arca. NYSE Arca will continue trading Albany's Class A Common Stock on an unlisted basis.

Albany International is the world's largest producer of custom-designed paper machine fabrics and process belts that are essential to the manufacture of paper and paperboard. In its family of businesses, Albany applies its core competencies in advanced textiles and materials to other industries. Founded in 1895, the Company is headquartered in Albany, New York, and employs approximately 6,100 people worldwide. The Company's plants are strategically located to serve its global customers. Additional information about the Company and its businesses and products is available at www.albint.com.