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NL INDUSTRIES INC Form 8-K July 01, 2008

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 the earliest event reported)

July 1, 2008

NL Industries, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey 1-640 13-5267260
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

5430 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1700, Dallas, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)
75240-2697
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 233-1700

(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 (see General Instruction A.2):

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 1, 2008, the Rhode Island Supreme Court issued a unanimous opinion reversing the trial court's judgment of liability of the registrant and certain other defendants in State of Rhode Island v. Lead Industries Association, et al. (Superior Court of Rhode Island, No. 99-5226) and stating, among other things, that the defendants' motion to dismiss the state's public nuisance complaint should have been granted.

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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.

NL Industries, Inc. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Gregory M. Swalwell
Date: July 1, 2008 Gregory M. Swalwell

Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial

Officer