

Mechel Steel Group OAO
Form 6-K
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16

under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

April 18, 2005

Commission File Number: 333-119497

MECHEL STEEL GROUP OAO

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Krasnopresnenskaya Naberezhnaya 12

Moscow 123610

Russian Federation

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

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Yes No

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MECHEL WINS AUCTION FOR AN ADDITIONAL STAKE IN IZHSTAL

Izhevsk, Russia April 15, 2005 Mechel OAO has increased its stake in Izhstal OAO to 87.35%.

Mechel previously owned 62.36% in Izhstal OAO. Today's stake of 24.99% was acquired for approximately \$15.7 thus increasing our stake in Izhstal OAO to 87.35%.

We are happy that Mechel has increased its stake in Izhstal to 87.35% allowing us to consolidate more of the anticipated results of our upgrade strategy there. We are already implementing a number of projects to improve production at Izhstal and further increase the competitiveness of its products. This will ultimately benefit both Mechel and Izhstal, as well as the Republic of Udmurtia, Mechel's CEO, Vladimir Iorich, said.

Izhstal produces rolled products and calibrated products from constructional, constructional alloyed, tool, and high speed steel; hardware products, such as jewel steel, cold rolled bands, calibrated hardware products, stainless welding wire, steel shaped profiles of high precision, cold rolled and flattened bands, stampings, and forgings. Izhstal's quality management system complies with the international standards: ISO 9001:2000 and AD WO/TRD 100.

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Some of the information in this press release may contain projections or other forward-looking statements regarding future events or the future financial performance of Mechel Steel Group, as defined in the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. We wish to caution you that these statements are only predictions and that actual events or results may differ materially. We do not intend to update these statements. We refer you to the documents Mechel Steel Group files from time to time with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Form F-1. These documents contain and identify important factors, including those contained in the section captioned *Risk Factors* and *Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements* in our Form F-1, that could cause the actual results to differ materially from those contained in our projections or forward-looking statements, including, among others, the achievement of anticipated levels of profitability, growth, cost and synergy of our recent acquisitions, the impact of competitive pricing, the ability to obtain necessary regulatory approvals and licenses, the impact of developments in the Russian economic, political and legal

environment, volatility in stock markets or in the price of our shares or ADRs, financial risk management and the impact of general business and global economic conditions.

SIGNATURES

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, thereunto duly authorized.

MECHEL STEEL GROUP OAO

By: Vladimir Iorich

Name: Vladimir Iorich

Title: CEO

Date: April 18, 2005