

INTERNATIONAL SPECIALTY PRODUCTS INC /NEW/
Form SC 13D/A
July 09, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 8)

INTERNATIONAL SPECIALTY PRODUCTS INC.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

460337 10 8

(CUSIP Number)

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1361 Alps Road
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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

July 9, 2002

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)

Samuel J. Heyman

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a)
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

SC

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

USA

	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF	52,567,240	
SHARES		

BENEFICIALLY	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY	0	

EACH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING	52,567,240	
PERSON		

WITH	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
	0	

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11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

52,567,240

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

81.1%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

IN

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)

Heyman Joint Venture II LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a)

(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

SC

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED

PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Connecticut

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	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF	0	
SHARES		
BENEFICIALLY	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY	114,336	
EACH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING	0	
PERSON		
WITH	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
	114,336	
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11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	
	114,336	
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12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)	
	0.2%	
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14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*	
	PN	

This Amendment No. 8 (this "Amendment No. 8") to Schedule 13D relates to the common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of International Specialty Products Inc., a Delaware corporation ("ISP"), and amends the statement on Schedule 13D originally filed on July 3, 1991 by Samuel J. Heyman, GAF Corporation, G-I Holdings, Inc., G Industries Corp. and GAF Fiberglass Corporation (formerly known as GAF Chemicals Corporation), as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on January 9, 1997, Amendment No. 2 filed on April 1, 1998, Amendment No. 3 filed on July 24, 1998, Amendment No. 4 filed on August 25, 2000, Amendment No. 5 filed on April 6, 2001, Amendment No. 6 filed on August 21, 2001 and Amendment No. 7 filed on March 27, 2002.

ITEM 3. SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF FUNDS OR OTHER CONSIDERATION.

The aggregate Transaction Consideration described below in Item 4 is expected to be approximately \$125,000,000. The Transaction Consideration would be paid out of available funds of ISP.

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ITEM 4. PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION.

Item 4(a)-(j) is amended and supplemented to include the following information:

Proposed Going Private Transaction

On July 8, Samuel J. Heyman (the "Stockholder") delivered a letter to the board of directors of ISP proposing a transaction that would result in the Stockholder acquiring "beneficial ownership" (which term, unless otherwise noted, has the meaning specified in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) of all of the common stock of ISP. The letter to the board is filed as an exhibit to this Amendment No. 8.

Under the proposed transaction, holders of shares of common stock of ISP (other than those shares beneficially owned by Stockholder) would receive \$10 in cash per share (the "Transaction Consideration").

It is anticipated that, upon consummation of the proposed transaction, the ISP common stock would be delisted from trading on the New York Stock Exchange and deregistered with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Other than changes in the capitalization, corporate structure and/or governing documents resulting from a transaction of the type described above, and other than the intention to cause the board of directors of ISP following consummation of the proposed transaction to be comprised solely of the Stockholder and certain members of ISP's board of directors who are also members of ISP's management, the Stockholder has no present plans or proposals with respect to any other action referred to in instructions (a) through (j) of Item 4 of the form of Schedule 13D. The Stockholder expressly reserves the right to change its business plans with respect to ISP based on future developments.

ITEM 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER

(a), (b) As of the close of business on July 8, 2002, the reporting persons may be deemed to beneficially own, in the aggregate, 52,567,240 shares of Common Stock (of which 239,200 represent shares underlying options awarded to the Stockholder under ISP's stock option plan that are exercisable within 60 days of the filing of this Amendment No. 8), representing approximately 81.1% of the ISP common stock outstanding on May 10, 2002 as set forth in ISP's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2002.

The information in this section is hereby amended to reflect the information contained in the cover pages, all of which is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 6. CONTRACTS, ARRANGEMENTS, UNDERSTANDINGS OR RELATIONSHIPS WITH RESPECT TO THE SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER.

Item 6 is amended to include the following:

See "Item 4. Purpose of Transaction" for a description of the announcement by the Stockholder on July 8, 2002. These descriptions are subject to, and qualified in their entirety by reference to, the letter to the board of directors of ISP, which has been filed as an exhibit herewith.

ITEM 7. MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS EXHIBITS.

Item 7 is amended to include the following:

C. Letter, dated July 8, 2002, from the Stockholder to ISP's Board of Directors.

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SIGNATURES

After due inquiry and to the best of their knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

SAMUEL J. HEYMAN

/s/ Samuel J. Heyman

HEYMAN JOINT VENTURE II LLC

/s/ Samuel J. Heyman

Name: Samuel J. Heyman
Title: Manager

Date: July 9, 2002

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C. Letter, dated July 8, 2002, from the Stockholder to ISP's Board of Directors.

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Exhibit C

July 8, 2002

International Specialty Products Inc.
Board of Directors
1361 Alps Road
Wayne, NJ 07470

Gentlemen:

The focus of our interest at ISP has always been to increase shareholder value for all ISP shareholders. Nonetheless, our efforts have been hampered, at least in part, by the following: First, attracting analyst coverage and public investors to a Company with a majority shareholder and a small public float is inherently difficult and has been made more so by the general stock market downturn; and, second, I believe that investors have not given us sufficient credit for the not insubstantial earnings which have in the past been generated by the Company's investment portfolio, notwithstanding our outstanding investment performance over the years.

As you know, we have sought to take steps in the past to address some of these issues. For example, on several occasions, ISP has explored the possibility of offering additional common shares to increase stock market liquidity, but concluded that such offering would not make economic sense. Alternatively, believing that our common stock was undervalued in the market, ISP has from time to time engaged in share repurchases in order to enhance shareholder value. While these repurchases had a compelling economic rationale, they inevitably had the adverse effect of further limiting the liquidity of the trading market for ISP stock.

As a result, ISP has been unable to realize many of the benefits normally associated with public ownership. The following are just two examples: (1) ISP has not been able to utilize its common stock as currency for acquisitions; and (2) the lack of liquidity with respect to the Company's stock has impaired its ability to use stock options or equity-based incentives as a meaningful way to attract and retain employees.

Accordingly, I am proposing that the Company be taken private in a transaction in which the shareholders, other than my affiliates and myself, would receive \$10 per share in cash. This price represents an almost 45% premium over the average price for the prior 30 days.

I expect that the Board will form a committee of independent Board members to evaluate my proposal, and wish to assure you that I am most interested, as I'm sure you are, in providing for the utmost of procedural fairness in the interests of ISP's minority shareholders. In this connection, we propose that approval of any transaction require the vote of a majority of the minority shareholders. I am willing to meet with you promptly in order to discuss this proposal, and I would hope that we could move forward expeditiously to consider this proposed transaction.

Sincerely,

/s/ Samuel J. Heyman