SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

January 11, 1999 (Date of Report, date of earliest event reported)

COMPX INTERNATIONAL INC. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-13905 57-0981653
(State or other (Commission (IRS Employer jurisdiction of File Number) Identification incorporation)

16825 Northchase Drive, Suite 1200, Houston, Texas 77060 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(281) 423-3377 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Item 5: Other Events

On January 11, 1999, the registrant, CompX International Inc., issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated herein by reference.

- Item 7: Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits
 - (c) Exhibit

Item No. Exhibit Index

99.1 Press release dated January 11, 1999 issued by CompX International Inc.

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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.

COMPX INTERNATIONAL INC.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Andrew Louis

Andrew Louis, Secretary

Date: January 11, 1999

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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COMPX APPOINTS CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND MOVES HEADQUARTERS TO HOUSTON

HOUSTON, TEXAS -- January 11, 1999 -- CompX International Inc. (NYSE: CIX) announced that it has appointed John A. Miller as Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of CompX International Inc. Mr. Miller was most recently a Principal with Arthur Andersen & Co. Mr. Miller's most recent assignment with Arthur Andersen was at the Advanced Cost Management Competency Center, with responsibility for clients including Motorola, the Department of Defense, IBM, SEMATECH and PPG. Prior to Arthur Andersen, Mr. Miller held various finance, planning and business development positions with Smith International, Inc.

CompX also announced that its corporate headquarters has been moved to Houston, Texas from Mauldin, South Carolina. The move will not result in any job reductions in South Carolina.

Joseph S. Compofelice, Chairman and CEO, commented that "We are pleased to have been able to hire as a CFO a seasoned executive with the broad base of experience of John Miller. Much of our future ability to enhance shareholder value is connected to good execution of our business development strategy. John Miller will be a key player in that execution."

CompX is a leading manufacturer of ergonomic computer support systems, precision ball bearing slides and locking systems.

Statements in this release relating to matters that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, general economic and political conditions, demand for office furniture, service industry employment levels, competitive products and prices and other risks and uncertainties detailed in the Company's Securities and Exchange Commission filings. Actual results could differ materially from those forecast or expected. The Company assumes no duty to publicly update such statements.

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