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, 2000 (Date of Report, date of earliest event reported)

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

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-13905 (Commission File Number) 57-0981653 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

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, 2000, 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 October January 11, 2000 issued by CompX International Inc.

## 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 hereunto duly authorized.

COMPX INTERNATIONAL INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Andrew Louis Andrew Louis, Secretary

Date: January 11, 2000

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## PRESS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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## COMPX COMPLETES CHICAGO LOCK ACQUISITION

HOUSTON, TEXAS ... January 11, 2000 ... CompX International Inc. (NYSE: CIX) announced that it has completed the acquisition of substantially all the operating assets of Chicago Lock Company as previously announced for approximately \$9.2 million in cash. CompX used borrowings under its existing credit facility to pay the cash purchase price. The acquired operating assets manufacture the Ace brand tubular key lock, which has been used in the vending industry for decades, and the Tubar security system, which has a significant position in the higher security vending market.

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

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