UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.) <f1></f1>
Minerals Technologies Inc.
(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)
60315106
(CUSIP Number)
December 31, 2000
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)
Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:
<pre>[X] Rule 13d-1(b) [] Rule 13d-1(c) [] Rule 13d-1(d)</pre>
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The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).
CUSIP No. 60315106 13G
NAME OF REPORTING PERSON I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON Artisan Partners Limited Partnership 39-1807188
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (see Instructions) Not Applicable (a) [(b) [
3 SEC USE ONLY
4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware
5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF SHARES 6 SHARED VOTING POWER

None

		1,315,832	
RE	WNED BY EACH PORTING	7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER None	
	PERSON WITH	8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,315,832	
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 1,315,832		
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (see Instructions) Not Applicable		
11	PERCENT O	F CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9	
12	TYPE OF R (see Inst IA	EPORTING PERSON ructions)	
CUS	IP No. 60		
1	S.S. or I	EPORTING PERSON R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON Investment Corporation	
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (see Instructions) (a) [Not Applicable (b) [
3	SEC USE O	NLY	
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	WITH	8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,315,832	
9	AGGREGATE 1,315,8	AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 32	
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (see Instructions) Not Applicable		
11	PERCENT O	F CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9	
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S.S. or I Andrew	EPORTING PERSON .R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON A. Ziegler				
2 CHECK THE (see inst	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (see instructions) (a)[] Not Applicable (b)[]				
3 SEC USE C	NLY				
4 CITIZENSH U.S.A.	IP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
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REPORTING	7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER None				
PERSON WITH	8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,315,832				
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11 PERCENT C 6.49%	F CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9				
12 TYPE OF R	EPORTING PERSON ructions)				
CUSIP No. 60					
S.S. or I	EPORTING PERSON R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON Murphy Ziegler				
2 CHECK THE (see Inst	APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP	(a)[]			
Not Appli	cable	(b) []			
3 SEC USE C					
4 CITIZENSH U.S.A.	IP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
	5 SOLE VOTING POWER None				
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY	6 SHARED VOTING POWER				
OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER None				

WITH 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,315,832

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

(see Instructions)
Not Applicable

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 6.49%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (see Instructions)

IN

Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:

Minerals Technologies Inc.

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

405 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10174-1901

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing:

Artisan Partners Limited Partnership ("Artisan Partners")
Artisan Investment Corporation, the general partner of
Artisan Partners ("Artisan Corp.")

Andrew A. Ziegler Carlene Murphy Ziegler

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office:

Artisan Partners, Artisan Corp., Mr. Ziegler and Ms. Ziegler are all located at:

1000 North Water Street, #1770 Milwaukee, WI 53202

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

Artisan Partners is a Delaware limited partnership Artisan Corp. is a Wisconsin corporation Mr. Ziegler and Ms. Ziegler are U.S. citizens

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock

60315106

Item 3
Type of Person:

(e) Artisan Partners is an investment adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940; Artisan Corp. is the General Partner of Artisan Partners; Mr. Ziegler and Ms. Ziegler are the principal stockholders of Artisan Corp.

Item 4 Ownership (at December 31, 2000):

(a) Amount owned "beneficially" within the meaning of rule 13d-3:

1,315,832

(b) Percent of class:

6.49% (based on 20,272,646 shares outstanding as of October $20,\ 2000$)

- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: none
 - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 1,315,832
 - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: none
 - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct disposition of: 1,315,832
- Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

Not Applicable

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

The shares reported herein have been acquired on behalf of discretionary clients of Artisan Partners. Persons other than Artisan Partners are entitled to receive all dividends from, and proceeds from the sale of, those shares. None of those persons, to the knowledge of Artisan Partners, Mr. Ziegler or Ms. Ziegler, has an economic interest in more than 5% of the class.

Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person:

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Item 10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, ${\tt I}$ certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 9, 2001

ARTISAN INVESTMENT CORPORATION for itself and as general partner of ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: /s/ Andrew A. Ziegler
-----Andrew A. Ziegler
President

ANDREW A. ZIEGLER

/s/ Andrew A. Ziegler

CARLENE MURPHY ZIEGLER

/s/ Carlene Murphy Ziegler

Exhibit Index

Exhibit 1

Joint Filing Agreement dated as of February 9, 2001 by and among Artisan Partners Limited Partnership, Artisan Investment Corporation, Andrew A. Ziegler, and Carlene Murphy Ziegler

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree to the joint filing of the Schedule $13\mbox{G}$ to which this Agreement is attached.

Dated: February 9, 2001

ARTISAN INVESTMENT CORPORATION for itself and as general partner of ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: /s/ Andrew A. Ziegler
-----Andrew A. Ziegler
President

ANDREW A. ZIEGLER

/s/ Andrew A. Ziegler

CARLENE MURPHY ZIEGLER

/s/ Carlene Murphy Ziegler