

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant To Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **January 26, 2005**

MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-3295

25-1190717

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission File
Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

405 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY

10174-1901

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(212) 878-1800

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions.

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 1, 2005, Minerals Technologies Inc. issued a press release regarding the election of Kirk G. Forrest as vice president, general counsel and secretary. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated February 1, 2005

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.

MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES INC.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Kirk G. Forrest


Name: Kirk G. Forrest

Title: Secretary

Date: February 1, 2005

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.

Subject Matter

99.1

Press Release dated February 1, 2005

News

For Immediate Release
February 1, 2005

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**MINERALS TECHNOLOGIES ELECTS KIRK G. FORREST
VICE PRESIDENT, GENERAL COUNSEL AND SECRETARY**

NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 1--The Board of Directors of Minerals Technologies Inc. (**NYSE: MTX**) on January 26, elected Kirk G. Forrest a vice president, general counsel and secretary of the company. Mr. Forrest joined Minerals Technologies on December 6 as vice president, deputy general counsel and assistant secretary. He succeeds S. Garrett Gray, who retired after 26 years service to the company.

Mr. Forrest was most recently vice president and general counsel at SAM'S CLUB and a corporate vice president of its parent company, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. Before that he was associate general counsel at The Williams Companies in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He has also been in private legal practice and has served on the legal staffs of MAPCO, International Paper and Xerox.

Kirk Forrest received his JD from Harvard Law School and his undergraduate degree from Cornell University. He has extensive litigation, risk management, corporate governance and business counseling experience.

Minerals Technologies Inc. is a global resource- and technology-based growth company that develops, produces and markets the highest quality performance-enhancing minerals and related products, systems and services. MTI serves the paper, steel, polymer and other manufacturing industries. The company reported sales of \$932.2 million in 2004.

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*For further information about Minerals Technologies Inc. look on the Internet at
<http://www.mineralstech.com>*