

AMERICAN AXLE & MANUFACTURING HOLDINGS INC  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 DAUCH RICHARD E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AMERICAN AXLE & MANUFACTURING HOLDINGS INC [AXL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Co-Founder, Chairman & CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/31/2005

ONE DAUCH DRIVE  
 (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
 (check applicable line)

DETROIT, MI 48211-1198

Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price   | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--------|------------|---------|--|--|--|
| Common Stock                    | 08/10/2005                           | Â  | G                              | 54,393  | A      | \$ 0       | 214,735 | I  | By the Richard E. Dauch Trust <sup>(1)</sup>             |  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/10/2005                           | Â  | G                              | 300   | D      | \$ 0       | 214,435 | I  | By the Richard E. Dauch Trust                            |  |

|                 |            |   |   |         |   |      |         |   |                                      |
|-----------------|------------|---|---|---------|---|------|---------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock | 09/13/2005 | Â | G | 433,700 | A | \$ 0 | 433,700 | I | By the<br>Dauch<br>Care Trust<br>(2) |
|-----------------|------------|---|---|---------|---|------|---------|---|--------------------------------------|

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. of D Se B O E Is F (I |
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|  | Date Exercisable (A) | Expiration Date (D) | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|-------|----------------------------|
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                               | Relationships |           |                              |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |
| DAUCH RICHARD E<br>ONE DAUCH DRIVE<br>DETROIT, MI 48211-1198 | Â X           | Â         | Â Co-Founder, Chairman & CEO | Â     |

## Signatures

Patrick S. Lancaster,  
Attorney-in-fact

02/14/2006

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The reporting person is trustee and beneficiary of the trust.
- (2) The reporting person is a trustee of the trust and, along with spouse, owns a remainder interest in the trust.

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