

SCHNITZER STEEL INDUSTRIES INC
Form SC 13D/A
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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 6)*

Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Class A Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

806882106

(CUSIP Number)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

November 24, 2003

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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CUSIP No. 806882106

1. **Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).**
 Cascade Investment, L.L.C.

2. **Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)**

(a)

(b)

3. **SEC Use Only**

4. **Source of Funds (See Instructions)**

WC

5. **Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)**

6. **Citizenship or Place of Organization**

State of Washington

7. **Sole Voting Power**
 452,400*

Number of
 Shares
 Beneficially
 Owned by
 Each
 Reporting
 Person With

8. **Shared Voting Power**
 N/A

9. **Sole Dispositive Power**
 452,400*

10. **Shared Dispositive Power**
 N/A

11. **Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person**
 452,400*

12. **Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)**

13. **Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11)**
 3.4%**

14. **Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)**
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* All shares of Common Stock held by Cascade may be deemed to be beneficially owned by William H. Gates III as the sole member of Cascade.

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** The calculations included herein are based on a total of 13,304,516 shares of Common Stock, which is the number of shares outstanding as of November 1, 2003, as last reported by the Issuer in its Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2003, filed with the SEC on November 24, 2003.

1. **Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).**
William H. Gates III

2. **Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)**

(a)

(b)

3. **SEC Use Only**

4. **Source of Funds (See Instructions)**
WC

5. **Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)**

6. **Citizenship or Place of Organization**
United States

7. **Sole Voting Power**
452,400*

**Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With**

8. **Shared Voting Power**
N/A

9. **Sole Dispositive Power**
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This Amendment No. 6 to Schedule 13D relates to the Class A Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share (the Common Stock), of Schnitzer Steel Industries, Inc. (the Issuer) and is being filed on behalf of the undersigned to amend the Schedule 13D that was originally filed on January 5, 1998 and previously amended by Amendment No. 1 filed with the SEC on September 18, 1998, by Amendment No. 2, filed with the SEC on October 15, 1998, by Amendment No. 3, filed with the SEC on May 30, 2003, by Amendment No. 4, filed with the SEC on August 5, 2003, and by Amendment No. 5, filed with the SEC on September 26, 2003.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

(a)-(b) The calculations included herein are based on a total of 13,304,516 shares of Common Stock, which is the number of shares outstanding as of November 1, 2003, as last reported by the Issuer in its Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2003, filed with the SEC on November 24, 2003 (the 2003 10-K). As of the close of business on December 11, 2003, Cascade owns 452,400 shares of Common Stock, constituting approximately 3.4% of the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock. All shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Cascade may be deemed to be beneficially owned by William H. Gates III as the sole member of Cascade and Mr. Gates has the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, such shares.

(c) Between October 3, 2003 and November 24, 2003, Cascade sold a total of 92,000 shares of Common Stock on the dates and at the prices set forth on Exhibit 2 for cash in open market transactions. Since November 24, 2003, the date on which Cascade and Mr. Gates determined that they were no longer the beneficial owners of more than five percent of the Common Stock, Cascade sold a total of 150,000 shares of Common Stock, which includes 25,000 shares sold on November 25 at an average price of \$51.77, 25,000 shares sold on December 1 at an average price of \$48.23 and 100,000 shares sold on December 2 at an average price of \$48.61. The sales were made for cash in open market transactions.

(d) Not applicable.

(e) Cascade and Mr. Gates determined on November 24, 2003, that they were no longer the beneficial owners of more than five percent of the Common Stock, as a result of a significant increase in the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding, as reported in the 2003 10-K filed on that date.

Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
Exhibit 1	Name, business address and present principal occupation of each executive officer or person controlling Cascade Investment, L.L.C.*
Exhibit 2	Dates and prices of sales of Common Stock between October 3, 2003 and November 24, 2003

* Filed with Amendment No. 4, filed with the SEC on August 5, 2003.

Signature

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

Dated: December 11, 2003

CASCADE INVESTMENT, L.L.C.

By /s/ Michael Larson
Name: Michael Larson
Title: Manager

WILLIAM H. GATES III

By /s/ Michael Larson
Name: Michael Larson*
Title: Attorney-in-fact

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

We, the signatories of the statement to which this Joint Filing Agreement is attached, hereby agree that such statement is filed, and any amendments thereto filed by any or all of us will be filed, on behalf of each of us.

DATED: December 11, 2003

CASCADE INVESTMENT, L.L.C.

By /s/ Michael Larson
Name: Michael Larson
Title: Manager

WILLIAM H. GATES III

By /s/ Michael Larson
Name: Michael Larson*
Title: Attorney-in-fact

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* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated March 14, 2001, by and on behalf of William H. Gates III, filed as Exhibit B to Cascade's Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13D with respect to Pan American Silver Corp. on March 19, 2001, SEC File No. 005-52919, and incorporated by reference herein.