

Huntsman CORP  
Form SC 13D/A  
September 08, 2008

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
SCHEDULE 13D  
(Amendment No. 2)  
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
HUNTSMAN CORPORATION**

**(Name of Issuer)  
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value**

**(Title of Class Securities)  
447011107**

**(CUSIP Number)  
D. E. Shaw & Co., L.P.  
Attn: Compliance Department  
120 West Forty-Fifth Street  
Floor 39, Tower 45  
New York, NY 10036  
212-478-0000**

**(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person  
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)  
September 8, 2008**

**(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)**

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box.

Note: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See §240.13d-7 for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on 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, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Exchange Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Exchange Act.

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON.  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION

**1**

D. E. Shaw Valence Portfolios, L.L.C.  
FEIN 13-4046559

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**2**

(a)   
(b)

SEC USE ONLY

**3**

SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**4**

WC

CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS  
2(d) OR 2(e)

**5**

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

**6**

Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

**7**

NUMBER OF -0-

SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY **8**

OWNED BY 14,687,786

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

EACH **9**  
REPORTING

PERSON -0-

WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

10

14,687,786

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

11

14,687,786

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

12

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

13

6.3%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

14

OO

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON.  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION

**1**

D. E. Shaw Oculus Portfolios, L.L.C.  
FEIN 20-0805088

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**2**

(a)   
(b)

SEC USE ONLY

**3**

SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**4**

WC

CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS  
2(d) OR 2(e)

**5**

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

**6**

Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

**7**

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY **8**

SHARED VOTING POWER

7,036,275

EACH  
REPORTING **9**

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

PERSON -0-

WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

10

7,036,275

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

11

7,036,275

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

12

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

13

3.0%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

14

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON.  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION

**1**

D. E. Shaw & Co., L.L.C.  
FEIN 13-3799946

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**2**

(a)   
(b)

SEC USE ONLY

**3**

SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**4**

AF

CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS  
2(d) OR 2(e)

**5**

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

**6**

Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

**7**

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY **8**

OWNED BY

SHARED VOTING POWER

7,037,856

EACH

**9**

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON -0-

WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

10

7,037,856

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

11

7,037,856

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

12

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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

13

3.0%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

14

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON.  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION

**1**

D. E. Shaw & Co., L.P.  
FEIN 13-3695715

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**2**

(a)   
(b)

SEC USE ONLY

**3**

SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**4**

AF

CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS  
2(d) OR 2(e)

**5**

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

**6**

Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

**7**

NUMBER OF

-0-

SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY **8**

OWNED BY

SHARED VOTING POWER

21,725,642

EACH

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

**9**

REPORTING

PERSON -0-

WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

10

21,725,642

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

11

21,725,642

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

12

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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

13

9.3%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

14

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<b>1</b>	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON. I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION
	David E. Shaw
<b>2</b>	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
	(a) <input type="radio"/>
	(b) <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>3</b>	SEC USE ONLY
<b>4</b>	SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
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<b>5</b>	CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)
	<input type="radio"/>
<b>6</b>	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
	United States
<b>7</b>	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF	-0-
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	8 21,725,642
<b>9</b>	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
EACH REPORTING	

PERSON -0-

WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

10

21,725,642

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

11

21,725,642

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

12

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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

13

9.3%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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This Amendment No. 2 amends and supplements certain information in the Statement on Schedule 13D filed by D. E. Shaw Valence Portfolios, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ( Valence ), D. E. Shaw Oculus Portfolios, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ( Oculus ), D. E. Shaw & Co., L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ( DESCO LLC ), D. E. Shaw & Co., L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ( DESCO LP ), and David E. Shaw, a citizen of the United States of America ( David E. Shaw ), and together with Valence, Oculus, DESCO LLC, and DESCO LP, collectively, the Reporting Persons ) on June 30, 2008, and amended by Amendment No. 1 to the Schedule 13D filed on August 28, 2008 (as amended, the Schedule 13D ), relating to the shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the Common Shares ), of Huntsman Corporation (the Issuer ). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings previously ascribed to them in the Schedule 13D.

Neither the present filing nor anything contained herein shall be construed as an admission that any Reporting Person constitutes a person for any purposes other than Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 4. Purpose of Transaction**

Item 4 is amended by the addition of the following:

*Proposed Backstop Contributions*

On September 8, 2008, the D. E. Shaw Stockholders, Citadel Limited Partnership, MatlinPatterson Global Opportunities Partners L.P., and MatlinPatterson Global Opportunities Partners (Bermuda) L.P. (collectively, the Backstop Investors ) delivered a letter to the Issuer (the Backstop Letter ) addressing the failure of Hexion to consider the CVR financing described in the Proposal Letter and the inability of the Initial Investors to implement the CVR financing without Hexion cooperation.

In the Backstop Letter, the Backstop Investors severally agree to make payments ( Backstop Payments ) to the Issuer in connection with the merger closing in the event that the CVR financing cannot be arranged. We have spoken with the Huntsman Family Stockholders, and they have agreed to deliver their own letter which will be substantially similar to the Backstop Letter (the payment to the Issuer committed therein, the Huntsman Payment ). Together with the Huntsman Payment, the Backstop Letter provides the Issuer with certainty that at least \$416,460,102 in cash will be added to the balance sheet of the combined company at closing, even if Hexion does not pursue the CVR financing. The D. E. Shaw Stockholders would be responsible for only their own several commitments, in an aggregate amount of \$79,075,582.04.

The Backstop Letter is intended to be a legally-binding obligation of the signatories, subject to the conditions described therein. A copy of the Backstop Letter is attached hereto as Exhibit 6 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The Backstop Letter provides that the offer to purchase CVRs described in the Proposal Letter will remain outstanding pursuant to the terms of the Proposal Letter. However, the commitments in the Backstop Letter are not intended to supplement the CVRs. The Backstop Letter provides that if any of the Backstop Investors purchases CVRs or makes an equity or similar investment in the combined company as may be agreed with Hexion (an Investing Stockholder ), and the other Backstop Investors and the Huntsman Family Stockholders are also offered the opportunity to purchase CVRs or make such investments on the same terms and conditions, in each case in amounts proportionate to their respective Backstop Payments, then each Investing Stockholder's commitment to make Backstop Payments to the Issuer will terminate.

The net cash proceeds to the D. E. Shaw Stockholders on the merger closing date would be the same whether the D. E. Shaw Stockholders purchase CVRs from Hexion or make contributions to Huntsman under the Backstop Letter. The Reporting Persons may hedge all or a portion of their commitments in the Backstop Letter.

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**Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer**

Item 5 is amended by the addition of the following:

As a result of the arrangements disclosed in Item 4, the Reporting Persons may be deemed a group with the Backstop Investors, Pentwater Capital Management L.P. (one of the Initial Investors), and the Huntsman Family Stockholders and, therefore, may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Shares beneficially owned by the Backstop Investors, Pentwater Capital Management L.P., and the Huntsman Family Stockholders. Based solely on information provided to the Reporting Persons and in Schedules 13D and Forms 4 filed by the Backstop Investors, the Huntsman Family Stockholders, and Pentwater Capital Management L.P., Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C. and its related entities (the Citadel Entities ) beneficially own 18,655,510 Common Shares based on information provided by the Citadel Entities and their Schedule 13D filed on September 2, 2008; MatlinPatterson Global Advisers LLC and its related entities (the Matlin Entities ) have beneficial ownership of at least 19,870,000 Common Shares based on information provided by the Matlin Entities and as reported in their Schedule 13D filed on August 29, 2008; Pentwater Capital Management L.P. and its related entities beneficially own 565,000 Common Shares, options to purchase 500,000 Common Shares, and have long economic exposure under certain cash-settled total return swap transactions to an additional 3,500,000 Common Shares (for a total of 4,565,000 Common Shares) based on information provided by Pentwater Capital Management L.P. and their Schedule 13D filed on September 5, 2008; and Huntsman Family Holdings Company LLC, Jon M. Huntsman, Peter R. Huntsman, the Jon and Karen Huntsman Foundation, and certain related entities (the Huntsman Family Entities ) have beneficial ownership of 51,163,183 Common Shares based on information provided by the Huntsman Family Entities and as reported in Schedules 13D filed on August 29, 2008, August 2, 2007, and July 12, 2007, and in Forms 4 filed on June 3, 2008. The aggregate number of Common Shares described herein does not include Common Shares beneficially owned by any other member of any group within the meaning of Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act, in which any of the Reporting Persons may be deemed a member, and the Reporting Persons expressly disclaim such membership.

None of the Reporting Persons may be deemed to have beneficially owned any Common Shares as of September 8, 2008 other than as set forth herein.

**Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationship with Respect to the Securities of the Issuer**

Item 6 is amended by the addition of the following:

See Item 4. Purpose of Transaction for a description of the Backstop Letter, which is qualified in its entirety by reference to the letter, a copy of which is filed as an exhibit hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 7. Materials to be Filed as Exhibits**

Item 7 is amended the addition of the following:

Exhibit No.	Exhibit
Exhibit 6	Backstop Letter, dated September 8, 2008, to Huntsman Corporation from Citadel Limited Partnership, D. E. Shaw Valence Portfolios, L.L.C., D. E. Shaw Oculus Portfolios, L.L.C., MatlinPatterson Global Opportunities Partners L.P., and MatlinPatterson Global Opportunities Partners (Bermuda) L.P.

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**SIGNATURE**

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

Dated: September 8, 2008

D. E. SHAW VALENCE PORTFOLIOS, L.L.C.

By: D. E. SHAW & CO., L.P., as Managing  
Member

By: /s/ Rochelle Elias

Name: Rochelle Elias  
Title: Chief Compliance Officer

D. E. SHAW OCULUS PORTFOLIOS, L.L.C.

By: D. E. SHAW & CO., L.L.C., as Managing  
Member

By: /s/ Rochelle Elias

Name: Rochelle Elias  
Title: Chief Compliance Officer

D. E. SHAW & CO., L.L.C.

By: /s/ Rochelle Elias

Name: Rochelle Elias  
Title: Chief Compliance Officer

D. E. SHAW & CO., L.P.

By: /s/ Rochelle Elias

Name: Rochelle Elias  
Title: Chief Compliance Officer

DAVID E. SHAW

By: /s/ Rochelle Elias

Name: Rochelle Elias  
Title: Attorney-in-Fact for David E.  
Shaw