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SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 5)*

Anixter International, Inc.
(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)
035290105
(CUSIP Number)
12/31/03
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

|X| Rule 13d-1(b)

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Rule 13d-1(c)

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Secur	ities E	xchange	Act of	the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose 1934 (Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but showever, see the Notes).	
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CUSI	P No.	0352901	105		
1.				Persons. Nos. of above persons (entities only).	
		EL CAP ID # 36-		MANAGEMENT, INC.	
2.		ck the Applical		ate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)	(a) _ (b) _
3.		Use On			
4 .	Citiz	zenship o	or Place	of Organization	
		ois Corp			
			5.	Sole Voting Power	
	Shares neficially		Ariel - 6,811,475		
		6.	Shared Voting Power		
	Eac	vned By Each eporting		Ariel - 0	
Person			7.	Sole Dispositive Power	
				Ariel - 8,089,925	
			8.	Shared Dispositive Power	
				Ariel - 0	

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9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person	
	Ariel - 8,089,925	
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)*	U
	Not Applicable	
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)	
	Ariel - 8,089,925 / 36,238,906 = 22.324%	
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)	
	Ariel - IA	
*	This report is being made on behalf of John W. Rogers, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of A Management, Inc., who may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of the securities of the issuer. Mr. beneficial ownership of shares held by Ariel Capital Management, Inc.	
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Item 1.

(a) Name of Issuer

Anixter International, Inc.

(b) Address of Issuer s Principal Executive Offices

4711 Golf Road; Skokie, IL 60076

Item 2.

(a) Name of Person Filing

Ariel Capital Management, Inc.

(b) Address of Principal Business Office, or if none, Residence

200 E. Randolph Drive, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60601

(c) Citizenship

an Illinois corporation

(d) Title of Class of Securities

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Common Stock

(e) CUSIP Number

035290105

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

(a)	<u> _</u>	Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
(b)	Ļ	Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
(c)	U	Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
(d)	U	Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8).
(e)	IXI	An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
(f)	U	An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
(g)	U	A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
(h)	U	A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
(i)	U	A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
(j)	<u> _</u>	Group, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

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Item 4. Ownership.

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: (See Page 2, No. 9)
- (b) Percent of class: (See Page 2, No. 11)
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote (See Page 2, No. 5)

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- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote (See Page 2, No. 6)
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of (See Page 2, No. 7)
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of (See Page 2, No. 8)

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities check the following |_|.

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

All securities reported upon this Schedule are owned by investment advisory clients of Ariel Capital Management, Inc., who have the right to dividends and proceeds of any sale of the subject security. Ariel Fund, a series of Ariel Investment Trust, a registered investment company owns, more than five percent of the subject security.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company.

Not Applicable

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not Applicable

Item 10. Certifications.

(a) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to §240.13d-1(b):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with 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.

(b) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to §240.13d-1(c):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with 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.

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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.

ARIEL CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC.

By: /s/ John P. Miller, CFA

John P. Miller, CFA Senior Vice President, Portfolio Management

The original statement shall be signed by each person on whose behalf the statement is filed or his authorized representative. If the statement is signed on behalf of a person by his authorized representative other than an executive officer or general partner of the filing person, evidence of the representative s authority to sign on behalf of such person shall be filed with the statement, provided, however, that a power of attorney for this purpose which is already on file with the Commission may be incorporated by reference. The name and any title of each person who signs the statement shall be typed or printed beneath his signature.

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 for whom copies are to be sent.

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)

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