EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES	
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May 20, 2005	
UNITED STATES	

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 **SCHEDULE 13D Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934** (Amendment No. 8) Exide Technologies (Name of Issuer) Common Stock (Title of Class of Securities) 302051206 (CUSIP Number) Sandell Asset Management Corp. 40 West 57th Street 26th Floor

Attention: Michael Fischer, General Counsel

212-603-5700

New York, NY 10019

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

May 17, 2005 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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### SCHEDULE 13D

### CUSIP No 302051206

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1	Thomas E. Sandell				
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This is Amendment No. 8 to the Schedule 13D filed jointly by Castlerigg Master Investments Ltd., a British Virgin Islands company, Sandell Asset Management Corp., a British Virgin Islands company (SAMC), Castlerigg International Limited, a British Virgin Islands company, Castlerigg International Holdings Limited, a British Virgin Islands company, and Thomas E. Sandell, a citizen of Sweden (together, the Reporting Persons), on November 8, 2004 and amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on November 12, 2004, Amendment No. 2 on January 13, 2005, Amendment No. 3 on February 15, 2005, Amendment No. 4 on February 24, 2005, Amendment No. 5 on February 25, 2005, Amendment No. 6 on March 2, 2005 and Amendment No. 7 on March 17, 2005 (the initial Schedule 13D and all amendments thereto being referred to herein as the Schedule 13D). The following items in the Schedule 13D are hereby amended to include the following information:

#### ITEM 4. PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION

The Reporting Persons sold (x) 1,230,287 shares of Exide common stock and (y) notes convertible into 172,711 shares of Exide common stock in the open market on May 17, 2005, and 1,203,931 shares of Exide common stock in the open market on May 18, 2005.

#### ITEM 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER

After the sales on May 17, 2005 and May 18, 2005, the Reporting Persons no longer own any shares of Exide common stock. This is the Reporting Persons final amendment to the Schedule 13D and is an exit filing. A list of the transactions in Exide common stock that were effected by the Reporting Persons during the past sixty days ending on May 19, 2005 is attached hereto as Appendix XII.

#### Item 7. MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS EXHIBITS

The following documents are filed as exhibits:

Appendix I: List of the transactions in Exide common stock that were effected by the Reporting

Persons during the past sixty days ending November 8, 2004.\*

Appendix II: Joint Filing Agreement.\*

Appendix III: Instruction C Person Information.\*

Appendix IV: Letter to the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Exide

Technologies, dated November 10, 2004.\*\*

Appendix V: Biographic information regarding Perry J. Lewis and Mark C. Demetree.\*\*\*

Appendix VI: List of the transactions in Exide common stock that were effected by the

Reporting Persons during the past sixty days ending February 15, 2005.\*\*\*\*

Appendix VII: List of the transactions in Exide common stock that were effected by the

Reporting Persons during the past sixty days ending February 23, 2005. \*\*\*\*\*

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Appendix VIII: Letter to the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Exide Technologies,

dated February 18, 2005. \*\*\*\*\*

Appendix IX: Letter to the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Exide Technologies, dated

February 23, 2005. \*\*\*\*\*

Appendix X: Confidentiality Agreement executed February 23, 2005. \*\*\*\*\*

Appendix XI: Powers of Attorney\*\*\*\*\*

Appendix XII: List of the transactions in Exide common stock that were effected by the

Reporting Persons during the past sixty days ending May 19, 2005.

\*Previously filed with the Schedule 13D filed on November 8, 2004.

\*\*Previously filed with the 1st Amendment to the Schedule 13D filed on November 12, 2004.

\*\*\*Previously filed with the 2nd Amendment to the Schedule 13D filed on January 13, 2005.

\*\*\*\*Previously filed with the 3rd Amendment to the Schedule 13D filed on February 15, 2005.

\*\*\*\*\*Previously filed with the 4th Amendment to the Schedule 13D filed on February 24, 2005.

\*\*\*\*\*Previously filed with the 7th Amendment to the Schedule 13D filed on March 17, 2005.

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#### 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: May 19, 2005

CASTLERIGG MASTER INVESTMENTS LTD.

By: Sandell Asset Management Corp.

As Investment Manager

By: \*

Thomas E. Sandell

Title: Chief Executive Officer

SANDELL ASSET MANAGEMENT CORP.

By: \*

Thomas E. Sandell

Title: Chief Executive Officer

#### CASTLERIGG INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

By: Sandell Asset Management Corp.
As Investment Manager

By: \*

Thomas E. Sandell

Title: Chief Executive Officer

### CASTLERIGG INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

By: Sandell Asset Management Corp.
As Investment Manager

By: \*

Thomas E. Sandell

Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: \*

Thomas E. Sandell

\*By: /s/ Michael R. Fischer Name: Michael R. Fischer Title: Attorney-in-fact

APPENDIX XII

### TRANSACTIONS EFFECTED DURING THE PAST SIXTY DAYS

Date of transaction	Person effecting transaction	Amount of securities involved	Price per share or unit	t Where and how the transaction was effected
5/17/05	SAMC	26,400	6.62	Regular market transaction
5/17/05	SAMC	100,000	6.90	Regular market transaction
5/17/05	SAMC	475,000	6.5097	Regular market transaction
5/17/05	SAMC	200,000	6.0125	Regular market transaction
5/17/05	SAMC	25,000	5.767	Regular market
5/17/05	SAMC	200,000	5.75	Regular market transaction
5/17/05	SAMC	200,000	5.8374	Regular market
5/17/05	SAMC	3,887	6.7138	Regular market
5/17/05	SAMC	3,000,000 Notes	42.00	Regular market
5/18/05	SAMC	350,000	6.0537	Regular market
5/18/05	SAMC	125,000	5.98	Regular market
5/18/05	SAMC	350,000	5.6976	Regular market transaction
5/18/05	SAMC	26,700	6.0924	Regular market transaction
5/18/05	SAMC	100,000	6.35	Regular market
5/18/05	SAMC	252,231	5.802	Regular market transaction