

STEITZ JOHN M  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
STEITZ JOHN M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ALBEMARLE CORPORATION, 451 FLORIDA STREET

(Street)

BATON ROUGE, LA 70801

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/22/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President and COO

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**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)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock					17,566 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Albemarle Savings Plan
Common Stock	08/22/2012		M		100,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 22.45 258,271 <sup>(2)</sup> D
Common Stock	08/22/2012		M		24,000 <sup>(3)</sup>	A	\$ 41.94 282,271 <sup>(2)</sup> D
Common Stock	08/22/2012		M		10,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	A	\$ 56.16 292,271 <sup>(2)</sup> D
	08/22/2012		S		134,000	D	158,271 <sup>(2)</sup> D

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Common Stock					\$ 57.99			
Common Stock	08/23/2012		S	158,271	D	\$ 56.87	0	D
Common Stock	08/23/2012		S	17,566	D	\$ 56.66	0	I

Albemarle Savings Plan

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 22.45	08/22/2012		M	100,000	04/01/2012 <sup>(3)</sup>	03/31/2019	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 41.94	08/22/2012		M	24,000	<sup>(4)</sup>	03/11/2020	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 56.16	08/22/2012		M	10,000	<sup>(5)</sup>	01/30/2021	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STEITZ JOHN M ALBEMARLE CORPORATION 451 FLORIDA STREET BATON ROUGE, LA 70801			President and COO	

## Signatures

/s/ Nicole Daniel,  
Attorney-in-Fact

08/24/2012

\_\_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) Portion of share increase due to periodic purchase by Albemarle Savings Plan trustee.
- (2) Includes shares received pursuant to dividend reinvestment plan.
- (3) 100,000 Non-Qualified Stock Options granted on 4/1/2009 and cliff vested on 4/1/2012. 100,000 exercised on 8/22/2012.
- (4) 36,000 Non-Qualified Stock granted on 3/12/2010, vesting in three increments: 12,000 on 3/12/2011, 12,000 on 3/12/2012, and 12,000 on 3/12/2013. 24,000 exercised on 8/22/2012.
- (5) 30,000 Non-Qualified Stock. Options granted on 1/31/2011, vesting in three increments: 10,000 on 1/31/2012, 10,000 on 1/31/2013, and 10,000 on 1/31/2014. 10,000 exercised on 8/22/2012.

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