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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement ALLETE INC [ALE] LUDLOW MADELEINE W (Month/Day/Year) 10/20/2004 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 4960 TAFT PLACE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner \_X\_ Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer \_ Other Person CINCINNATI. OHÂ 45243 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 0 D Â Common Stock Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		Expiration Date		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		5. Ownership Form of Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

Shares

(I) (Instr. 5)

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LUDLOW MADELEINE W

4960 TAFT PLACE CINCINNATI, OHÂ 45243 Â

**Signatures** 

Madeleine W. 10/20/2004

\*\*Signature of Date

Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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