Hodnik Alan R Form 4 January 23, 2013

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Hodnik Alan R Issuer Symbol ALLETE INC [ALE] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 30 WEST SUPERIOR STREET 01/21/2013 below) below) Chairman, President & CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DULUTH, MN 55802** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	01/21/2013		A	4,118	A	\$0	24,020.54 (1)	D		
Common Stock							5,695.2 (2)	I	By RSOP Trust	
Common Stock							144.68 (3)	I	As Custodian for Children's	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Accounts

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

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hodnik Alan R

30 WEST SUPERIOR STREET X Chairman, President & CEO

DULUTH, MN 55802

Signatures

(2)

Ingrid K. Johnson for Alan R. Hodnik 01/23/2013

**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).
- Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under ALLETE's employee stock purchase plan, the dividend reinvestment feature of (1) ALLETE's stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plan, and the dividend equivalent feature of restricted stock granted under
- ALLETE's executive long-term incentive compensation plan, all based on plan information available as of January 1, 2013.

 Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under ALLETE's retirement savings and stock ownership plan (RSOP) and is based on
- RSOP plan information available as of January 1, 2013.

 Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under the dividend reinvestment feature of ALLETE's stock purchase and dividend

(3) Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under the dividend reinvestment feature of ALLETE's stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plan, based on plan information available as of January 1, 2013.

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