### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Owen Bethany M |  |                                    |  |         |   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLETE INC [ ALE ] |      |                  |  |  |         |   |               |   | (Checl            | all app<br>Direc   | olicable)<br>ctor  |                                       | Owner               |  |  |
|--|--|------------------------------------|--|---------|---|--|------|------------------|--|--|---------|---|---------------|---|-------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| (Last)<br>30 WEST  | (Fii   | rst) (<br>OR STREET                | Middle)                                    |         |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2019    |      |                  |  |  |         |   |               |   | X                 | belov  | ,  | belo<br>Legal & Ad                    | ´                   |  |  |
| (Street)   | н м  | N 5                                | 55802                                      |         | 4. If   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)       |      |                  |  |  |         |   |               |   | 6. Indi<br>Line)  | ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  |  |                                       | rson                |  |  |
| (City)   | (St  | ate) (.                            | Zip)                                       |         |   |  |      |                  |  |  |         |   |               |   |                   | Pers   |  | e tnan One Ri                         | eporting            |  |  |
|  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |                                    |  |         |   |  |      |                  |  |  |         |   |               |   |                   |  |  |                                       |                     |  |  |
| Da   |  |                                    | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |         | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  |      |                  |  | 4. Securities Acquired (A) o<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |         |   |               | and 5) Securities<br>Beneficial<br>Owned Fo |                   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)  | Ownership  |                                       |                     |  |  |
|  |  |                                    |  |         |   |  |      |                  | Code   | v  | Amount  |   | (A) or<br>(D) | Pri   | се                |  | ted<br>action(s)<br>3 and 4)                                   | (Instr. 4)                            |                     |  |  |
| Common   | Stock  |                                    |  | 01/30/  | 2019  |  |      |                  | A  |  | 984     |   | A             |   | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 5,52   | 21.07(1)(2)  | D                                     |                     |  |  |
| Common   | Stock  |                                    |  | 01/31/  | 2019  |  |      |                  | A  |  | 1,247.7 | 5   | A             |   | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 6,   | 6,768.82 D   |                                       |                     |  |  |
| Common   | Stock  |                                    |  | 01/31/  | 2019  | T  |      |                  | F  |  | 548.84  |   | D             | \$7   | 76.94             | 6,219.98 D   |  |                                       |                     |  |  |
| Common   | ommon Stock  |                                    |  |         |   |  |      |                  |  |  |         |   |               |   |                   | 4,7  | <sup>(58.37<sup>(3)</sup></sup>                                | I                                     | By<br>RSOP<br>Trust |  |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |                                    |  |         |   |  |      |                  |  |  |         |   |               |   |                   |  |  |                                       |                     |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)      | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | Date Exe<br>(Month/Day/Year) if ar | 3A. Deen<br>Executio<br>if any<br>(Month/D | n Date, | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8)                     |  | n of |                  | 6. Date Exercis<br>Expiration Dat<br>(Month/Day/Ye |  | te      | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |               | Deri<br>Sec<br>(Ins                         | curity<br>str. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | Ownershi<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirec<br>(I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                     |  |  |
|  |  |                                    |  | Code    | v   | (A)  | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisa |  | Expiration<br>Date   | Titl    | OI<br>No<br>Of  | umbe          |   |                   |  |  |                                       |                     |  |  |

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Prior Forms 4 inadvertently and mistakenly indicated in Box 5 that the reporting person was a 10% Owner as well as an Officer.
- 2. Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under the dividend reinvestment feature of ALLETE's stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plan and the dividend equivalent feature of restricted stock grants pursuant to ALLETE's executive long-term incentive compensation plan, all based on plan information available as of January 31, 2019.
- 3. Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions pursuant to ALLETE's retirement savings and stock ownership plan (RSOP) and is based on RSOP plan information available as of January 15, 2019.

### Remarks:

<u>Ingrid K. Johnson for Bethany</u> M. Owen

02/01/2019

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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