FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hoolihan James J</u>						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLETE INC [ ALE ]											olicable)	g Person(s) to	S Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 917 4TH AVENUE NORTH WEST						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/26/2018										Office belov	er (give title w)	Oth bel	er (specify ow)
(Street) GRAND RAPIDS (City)	M)		55744 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Indiv ine) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quirec	d, Dis	sposed o	f, or	Ben	eficia	ally (	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 1)				and 5) Sec Ben		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect		
						Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		or	Price	Trans		action(s) 3 and 4)		(111501.4)			
Common Stock 07/26/2						2018			<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		800	D \$7		\$77.6	<b>2</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	2 <sup>(2)</sup> 14,431.77 <sup>(3)</sup>		D	
	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)  3. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Year)		on Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative (R) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				te	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		nstr. 3	nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 22, 2018
- 2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$77.12 to \$77.84, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to ALLETE, any security holder of ALLETE, or the staff of the Securities Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range provided above.
- 3. Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions pursuant to the dividend equivalent feature of deferred stock awarded under the ALLETE director stock plan, based on information available as of July 20, 2018.

## Remarks:

<u>Ingrid K. Johnson for James J.</u> Hoolihan

07/27/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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