FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* SCHOBER MARK A							Section 30(ii) of the investment Company Act of 1940 Section 30(ii) of the investment Company Act of 1940 ALLETE INC [ALE]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 30 WEST SUPERIOR STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2011								X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior VP & CFO						
(Street) DULUTH MN 55802					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check A e) X Form filed by One Reporting Pers Form filed by More than One Rep			n		
(City) (State) (Zip)														Perso			·			
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)				d (A) or r. 3, 4 and	Securitie Beneficia Owned F	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Direct In Indirect B str. 4) O	Nature of direct eneficial wnership nstr. 4)			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)		("	11311. 4)		
Common	Stock			08/31	/2011				М		4,413	A	\$29.	79 20,96	0.66(1)		D			
Common Stock			08/31/2011					M		2,207	A	\$23.	79 23,10	67.67		D				
Common Stock				08/31/2011				S		700	D	\$39.	22,40	57.67 D		D				
Common Stock				08/31/2011				S		600	D	\$39.	21,80	21,867.67		D				
Common Stock				08/31/2011					S		1,182	D	\$39.	05 20,68	20,685.67		D			
Common Stock				08/31/2011		\perp			S		2,000	D \$39.		06 18,6	18,685.67		D			
Common Stock				08/31/2011		\perp			S		1,100	D \$39.07			<u> </u>		D			
Common Stock				08/31/2011		\bot			S		100	D	\$39.		85.67		D			
Common Stock				08/31	\perp			S		200	D	\$39.		85.67		D				
Common Stock				08/31/2011		\bot			S		700	D	\$39.		85.67		D			
Common Stock 08/3				/2011	\bot			S		38	D	\$39.	15 16,54	47.67		D				
Common Stock														12,39	0.55(2)			y RSOP rust		
Common Stock														118	118.26		I sl	by child haring nsider's ousehold		
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)	of 2. 3. Transaction Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		ned n Date,	ate, Transaction		5. Number on of		6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye		sable and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				Code		v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares							
Employee Stock Option (right-to- buy)	\$29.79	08/31/2011						4,413	(3)		01/02/2012	Common Stock	4,413	\$0	0		D			
Employee Stock Option (right-to- buy)	\$23.79	08/31/2011			M			2,207	(4)		02/03/2013	Common Stock	2,207	\$0	0		D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 2. 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 August 1, 2011.
- $3.\ The\ option\ vested\ in\ three\ equal\ installments\ on\ January\ 2,\ 2003,\ January\ 2,\ 2004\ and\ January\ 2,\ 2005,\ respectively.$
- 4. The option vested in three equal installments on February 3, 2004, February 3, 2005 and February 3, 2006, respectively.

Remarks:

Ingrid K. Johnson for Mark A. Schober 09/01/2011

** 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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