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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br>LUDLOW MADELEINE W |  |                | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALLETE INC</u> [ ALE ] | (Check                 | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|----------------|--|------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last)   | (First)  | (Middle)       | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>06/01/2010               | X                      | Director<br>Officer (give title<br>below)                               | 10% Owner<br>Other (specify<br>below) |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Street)<br>CINCINNATI   | OH<br>(State)  | 45243<br>(Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                     | 6. Indiv<br>Line)<br>X | ,   |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |                |  |                        |   |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |

#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transaction<br>Code (Instr. |   | 4. Securities<br>Disposed Of<br>5) |               | 3, 4 and          | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|---|---|---|
|                                 |  |   | Code                        | v | Amount                             | (A) or<br>(D) | Price             | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   | (11311.4)   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/01/2010                                 |   | Α                           |   | 1,679                              | Α             | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 14,307.92 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D   |   |

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 | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4<br>and 5) |     | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/Y | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|---|-----|--|---|-------|---|--|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)   | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date  | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares              |  |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under the dividend reinvestment feature of ALLETE's stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plan and is based on plan information available as of June 1, 2010

#### **Remarks:**

Ingrid K. Johnson for Madeleine W. Ludlow

06/03/2010

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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