ALBEMARLE CORP Form 8-K May 11, 2016

#### **UNITED STATES**

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

# **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 10, 2016

#### ALBEMARLE CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Virginia (State or Other Jurisdiction **001-12658** (Commission

54-1692118 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

**Identification Number**)

451 Florida Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70801

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

#### Registrant s Telephone Number, including Area Code: (225) 388-8011

# **Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

# Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On May 10, 2016, Albemarle Corporation (the Company) held its annual meeting of shareholders (the Annual Meeting). During the Annual Meeting, shareholders of the Company were asked to consider and vote upon three proposals: (1) approval of a non-binding advisory resolution approving the compensation of the Company s named executive officers; (2) election of the eleven nominees to the Board of Directors set forth in the 2016 Proxy Statement; and (3) ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm.

As of the record date for the Annual Meeting, March 11, 2016, there were 112,296,850 shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to vote, of which the holders of 104,664,428 shares of common stock were represented in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting. For each proposal, the results of the shareholder voting were as follows:

**1. Advisory vote on executive compensation**. The shareholders approved on a non-binding advisory basis the compensation of the Company s named executive officers by the votes set forth in the table below.

| Voted For  | Voted Against | Abstain | <b>Broker Non-Votes</b> |
|------------|---------------|---------|-------------------------|
| 96,859,135 | 2,215,145     | 313,826 | 5,274,322               |

**2. Election of directors**. All of the director nominees were elected to serve for a term which expires at the annual meeting of shareholders in 2016, by the votes set forth in the table below.

| Nominee              | Voted For  | Withheld |
|----------------------|------------|----------|
| Jim W. Nokes         | 98,858,550 | 529,556  |
| William H. Hernandez | 98,722,512 | 665,594  |
| Luther C. Kissam, IV | 98,857,667 | 530,439  |
| Douglas L. Maine     | 98,760,338 | 627,768  |
| J. Kent Masters      | 98,857,361 | 530,745  |
| James J. O Brien     | 98,844,300 | 543,806  |
| Barry W. Perry       | 98,693,420 | 694,686  |
| John Sherman, Jr.    | 98,558,765 | 829,341  |
| Gerald A. Steiner    | 98,859,072 | 529,034  |
| Harriett Tee Taggart | 98,833,463 | 554,643  |
| Alejandro Wolff      | 98,821,816 | 566,290  |

There were 5,274,322 broker non-votes received for each nominee.

**3.** Ratification of appointment of independent registered public accounting firm. The appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLC as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016, was ratified by the shareholders by the votes set forth in the table below.

| Voted For   | Voted Against | Abstain |
|-------------|---------------|---------|
| 104,121,309 | 288,359       | 252,760 |

The proposal to ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLC was a routine matter and, therefore, there were no broker non-votes relating to this matter.

# **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 10, 2016

# ALBEMARLE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Karen G. Narwold

Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Corporate

& Government Affairs, and Corporate Secretary