

Parnell Anthony Stephen
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Parnell Anthony Stephen

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ALBEMARLE
CORPORATION, 451 FLORIDA
STREET

(Street)

BATON ROUGE, LA 70801

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/07/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
VP-Global Sales,Svce&Ops Plnng

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | | | Albemarle Corporation Savings Plan |
| | | | Code | V | Amount | | |
| Common Stock | 12/07/2007 | | M | | 10,000 | A | \$ 11.725 15,000 D |
| Common Stock | 12/07/2007 | | S | | 10,000 | D | \$ 44.2048 5,000 D |

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

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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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|-----|--|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Nonqualified Option (right to buy) | \$ 11.725 (2) | 12/07/2007 | | M | | 10,000 | | 01/31/2005 | 01/31/2012 | Common Stock | 10,000 (2) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Parnell Anthony Stephen ALBEMARLE CORPORATION 451 FLORIDA STREET BATON ROUGE, LA 70801 | VP-Global Sales,Svce&Ops Plnng |

Signatures

Shawn R. Urelus, Attorney
in Fact 12/07/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Portion of share increase due to periodic purchases by Albemarle Corporation Savings Plan trustee.

(2) Due to recent 2-1 stock split, option shares were doubled and share price halved.

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