

Gardner Ronald Roy
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Gardner Ronald Roy		(Month/Day/Year)	ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/01/2007	
ALBEMARLE CORPORATION,Â 451 FLORIDA STREET			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)				(Check all applicable)
BATON ROUGE,Â LAÂ 70801			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			(give title below) (specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			VP - Fine Chemicals	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	8,887.91	I	Albemarle Savings Plan

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Nonqualified Option (right to buy)	06/23/2005	06/22/2009	Common Stock	1,500	\$ 20	D	Â
Nonqualified Option (right to buy)	01/25/2004	01/24/2011	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 24.38	D	Â
Nonqualified Option (right to buy)	01/31/2005	01/30/2012	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 23.45	D	Â
Nonqualified Option (right to buy)	01/30/2006	01/29/2013	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 25.83	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Gardner Ronald Roy ALBEMARLE CORPORATION 451 FLORIDA STREET BATON ROUGE, LA 70801	Â	Â	Â VP - Fine Chemicals	Â

Signatures

Nicole C. Daniel, Attorney in Fact 01/03/2007

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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