

GOTTWALD FLOYD D JR  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 GOTTWALD FLOYD D JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 330 SOUTH FOURTH STREET  
 (Street)

RICHMOND, VA 23219

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/12/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_X\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Former 10% Owner

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)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		M		60,000	A	\$ 12.19 1,462,784	D
Common Stock	02/12/2008		M		100,000	A	\$ 11.725 1,562,784	D
Common Stock	02/12/2008		M		50,000	A	\$ 12.915 1,612,784	D
Common Stock	02/12/2008		S		29,202	D	\$ 40.0414 1,583,582	D
Common Stock	02/13/2008		S		173,900	D	\$ 40.0039 1,409,682	D

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Common Stock 02/14/2008 S 6,898 D \$ 40 1,402,784 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 of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Am Num Sha
Nonqualified Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.19	02/12/2008		M	60,000	01/25/2004 01/24/2011	Common Stock 60
Nonqualified Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.725	02/12/2008		M	100,000	01/31/2005 01/30/2012	Common Stock 100
Nonqualified Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.915	02/12/2008		M	50,000	01/30/2006 01/29/2013	Common Stock 50

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GOTTWALD FLOYD D JR  
330 SOUTH FOURTH STREET  
RICHMOND, VA 23219

Former 10% Owner

## Signatures

Shawn R. Urelus, attorney  
in fact

02/14/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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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