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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading GOTTWALD FLOYD D JR Issuer Symbol ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director X__ 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 330 SOUTH FOURTH STREET 07/14/2006 below) Vice Chairman of the Board (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting RICHMOND, VA 23219 Person (City) (State) (Zip)

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Sec	urities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Dispo	sed of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 a	nd 5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				()		Reported		
				(<i>A</i>		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount (I		(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/14/2006		A	100 (1) A	\$ 44.95	927,332	D	

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GOTTWALD FLOYD D JR			Vice			
330 SOUTH FOURTH STREET	X	X	Chairman of			
RICHMOND, VA 23219			the Board			

Signatures

Nicole C. Daniel, attorney

07/18/2006 in fact

**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).
- (1) Shares represent quarterly installment of non-employee director's stock compensation pursuant to Non-Employee Director Stock Plan.

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