

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>DABKOWSKI JOHN G</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>451 FLORIDA STREET</u> _____ (Street) <u>BATON LA 70801</u> _____ (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP Polymer Additives</u>		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/03/2006</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
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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								18,278 ⁽¹⁾	I	Albemarle Savings Plan
Common Stock	01/03/2006		M		3,200 ⁽³⁾	A	\$25.75	6,388 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2006		S		3,200 ⁽³⁾	D	\$42	3,188 ⁽²⁾	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Nonqualified Option (Right to Buy)	\$25.75	01/03/2006		M			3,200	(4)	04/21/2008	Common Stock	\$0	89,800	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Portion of share increase due to periodic purchases by Albemarle Corporation Savings Plan trustee.
2. Portion of share increase due to participation in Albemarle Corporation Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
3. Exercised and sold shares per a 10b5-1 Sales Plan, effective 10/1/05 and which expires 2/14/06.
4. Exercisable six years from date of grant (4-22-1998) or earlier in 25% annual increments in the event that the trading price of Albemarle Corporation Common Stock equals or exceeds certain price levels.

Remarks:

Nicole C. Daniel, attorney in fact 01/04/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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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