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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WHITLOW MICHAEL D <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) 330 SOUTH FOURTH STREET <hr/> (Street) RICHMOND VA 23219 <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) VP Investor Relations
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/21/2003	
		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

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								7,286 ⁽¹⁾	I	Albemarle Savings Plan
Common Stock	08/21/2003		M		9,762	A	\$13.125	11,079 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	08/21/2003		S		285	D	\$27.95	10,794	D	
Common Stock	08/21/2003		S		800	D	\$27.89	9,994	D	
Common Stock	08/21/2003		S		5,200	D	\$27.85	4,794	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 Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Nonqualified Option (right to buy)	\$13.125	08/21/2003		M			9,762	02/08/1995	02/29/2004	Common Stock	9,762	\$ 0	65,238	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 periodic purchases by Albemarle Corporation Dividend Reinvestment Plan trustee.

Joyce Whitman, Attorney 08/22/2003
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** Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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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