ALBEMARLE CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KISSAM LUTHER C IV

(First)

ALBEMARLE CORPORATION, 451 FLORIDA **STREET**

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

Symbol

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/24/2012

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BATON ROUGE, LA 70801

(City)	(State)	Table 1 - 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4) 3,378 (1)	I	Albemarle Savings Plan	
Common Stock	02/24/2012		M	20,000	A	\$ 0 (2)	139,662	D		
Common Stock	02/24/2012		F	6,744 (3)	D	\$ 66.14	132,918	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 or 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 A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Performance Unit	<u>(4)</u>	02/24/2012		M		20,000	(5)	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 66.14	02/24/2012		A	59,000		<u>(7)</u>	02/24/2022	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Treporting of the remaining fractions	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KISSAM LUTHER C IV ALBEMARLE CORPORATION 451 FLORIDA STREET BATON ROUGE, LA 70801	X		President and CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Karen G. Narwold, attorney in fact 02/28/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Portion of share increase due to periodic purchases by Albemarle Corporation Savings Plan trustee.
- (2) Transaction has no purchase or sale price.
- (3) 20,000 Performance Units vested on 2/24/2012. 6,744 shares withheld to meet tax liabilities associated with such vested shares.
- (4) Each Performance Unit converts to 1 share of Common Stock.
- Performance Units issued on 3/12/2010. Total of 40,000 Performance Units granted by Compensation Committee upon achievement of superior level of performance objectives. Performance Units vest over a 2 year period -- 50% vested on 2/24/2012 and 50% to vest on 1/1/2013.

(6) No expiration date.

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(7) Stock Option vests in three equal installments over 3 years: 2/24/2013, 2/24/2014, and 2/24/2015.

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