ALBEMARLE CORP Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **OBRIEN JAMES J/KY**

(First)

(State)

1952 SHADYBROOK LANE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/12/2012

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

(Zip)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

LEXINGTON, KY 40502

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	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)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/12/2012		P	82	A	\$ 56.32	82	D	
Common Stock	07/20/2012		P	1,000	A	\$ 57.26	1,082	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)

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8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phanthom Stock	<u>(1)</u>					(2)	(3)	Common Stock	700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

OBRIEN JAMES J/KY 1952 SHADYBROOK LANE X LEXINGTON, KY 40502

Signatures

/s/ Karen G. Narwold, Attorney-in-Fact

07/24/2012

**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) Phantom Stock units convert 1 for 1 into common stock.
- (2) Exercisable in one lump sum on February 15th of the calendar year after the year in which Mr. O'Brien is no longer a director.
- (3) No expiration date.

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