

NICOLS JOHN J  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NICOLS JOHN J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

451 FLORIDA STREET

(Street)

BATON ROUGE, LA 70801

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/01/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP Catalysts

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)      |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price                                |   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 120   | I  | Custodian for Minor, Matthew T. Nicols |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 16,469 <sup>(1)</sup>   | I  | Albemarle Savings Plan                 |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 30,699 <sup>(2)</sup>   | 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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 22.45   | 04/01/2009                           |  | A                              | 60,000  | (3) 04/01/2019   | Common Stock  | 60,000                     |
| Phantom Stock                              | (4)  |                                      |  |                                |   | (5) (6)  | Common Stock  | 75,000                     |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (7)  | 04/01/2009                           |  | A                              | 6,000   | (8) (6)  | Common Stock  | 6,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                               | Relationships |           |              |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer      | Other |
| NICOLS JOHN J<br>451 FLORIDA STREET<br>BATON ROUGE, LA 70801 |               |           | VP Catalysts |       |

## Signatures

Nicole C. Daniel, attorney  
in fact  
04/03/2009

\*\*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) Portion of share increase due to periodic purchases by Albemarle Corporation Savings Plan trustee.
- (2) Portion of share increase due to periodic purchase by Albemarle Corporation Dividend Reimbursement Plan trustee.
- (3) The option cliff vests in 3 years on April 1, 2012.

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- (4) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Albemarle Corporation common stock.
- (5) Phantom Shares represent supplemental Savings Plan match.
- (6) No expiration date.
- (7) Converts 1 to 1.
- (8) The restricted stock units cliff vest in 3 years on April 1, 2012.

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