

Stellmaker Donald W
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FORM 4

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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 *
Stellmaker Donald W

(Last) (First) (Middle)
30 WEST SUPERIOR STREET
(Street)

DULUTH, MN 55803

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ALLETE INC [ALE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/19/2011

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)
V.P. & Corporate Treasurer

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 08/19/2011 | | A | 481.17 A \$ 0 | 4,493.18 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/19/2011 | | F | 157.34 D \$ 36.37 | 4,335.84 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 6,087.16 ⁽²⁾ | I | By RSOP Trust |

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Stellmaker Donald W
30 WEST SUPERIOR STREET
DULUTH, MN 55803

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

V.P. & Corporate Treasurer

Signatures

Ingrid K. Johnson for Donald W.
Stellmaker

08/22/2011

__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) Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under the dividend reinvestment features of ALLETE's stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plan and pursuant to the dividend equivalent feature of restricted stock grants under ALLETE's executive long-term incentive compensation plan, both based on plan information available as of August 1, 2011.
- (2) Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under ALLETE's retirement savings and stock ownership plan (RSOP) and is based on RSOP plan information available as of August 1, 2011.

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