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

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LaBauve Donald J. Jr.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2015

Director 10% Owner

Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

VP, Corporate Controller & CAO

(Check all applicable)

ALBEMARLE CORPORATION, 451 FLORIDA **STREET**

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by More than One Reporting

BATON ROUGE 70801

(City)

(Zip) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi or(A) or D (Instr. 3, | ispose 4 and (A) or | d of (D) | 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) |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|--|--|---|
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 8,924 (1) | I | Albemarle Savings Plan |
| Common Stock | 02/24/2015 | | M | 229 | A | \$ 0 (2) | 3,126 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/24/2015 | | F | 86 (3) | D | \$ 56.08 | 3,040 | 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. Transacti 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|-----|--|--------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Shar |
| Performance Unit | <u>(4)</u> | 02/24/2015 | | A | 457 | | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock | 45 |
| Performance Unit | <u>(4)</u> | 02/24/2015 | | M | | 229 | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock | 22 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | \$ 56.08 | 02/24/2015 | | A | 3,720 | | <u>(7)</u> | 02/23/2025 | Common Stock | 3,7 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LaBauve Donald J. Jr.
ALBEMARLE CORPORATION
451 FLORIDA STREET
BATON ROUGE 70801

VP, Corporate Controller & CAO

Signatures

/s/ Steven L. Bray, Attorney-in-fact 02/26/2015

**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 Savings Plan trustee.
- (2) Transaction has no purchase or share price.
- (3) Performance Units vested on 2/24/2015. Shares withheld to meet tax liabilities associated with such vested shares.
- (4) Each Performance Unit converts to 1 share of Common Stock.

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- Performance Units issued on 2/22/2013 subject to achievement of performance objectives. Performance Units granted by Compensation
- (5) Committee upon achievement of performance objectives. Performance Units vest over a 2 year period. 50% vested on 2/24/2015 and 50% will vest on 1/1/2016.
- (6) No expiration date.
- (7) Stock Options vest in three equal installments over 3 years: 2/24/2018, 2/24/2019 and 2/24/2020

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