

Martin Scott A.  
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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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 \*

Â Martin Scott A.

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring  
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/01/2012

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

4. Relationship of Reporting  
Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner

☒ Officer \_\_\_\_ Other

(give title below) (specify below)

Vice President, Fine Chemistry

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line)

☒ Form filed by One Reporting  
Person

\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One  
Reporting Person

ALBEMARLE  
CORPORATION,Â 451  
FLORIDA STREET

(Street)

BATON ROUGE,Â LAÂ 70801

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security  
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities  
Beneficially Owned  
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership  
Form:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect  
(I)  
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial  
Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

2,774

D

Â

Common Stock

254

I

Albemarle Savings Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially  
owned directly or indirectly.

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### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and  
Expiration Date  
(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of  
Securities Underlying  
Derivative Security

4. Conversion  
or Exercise

5. Ownership  
Form of

6. Nature of Indirect  
Beneficial  
Ownership

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|                            |             |            | (Instr. 4)   |           | Price of   | Derivative  | (Instr. 5) |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-----------|------------|-------------|------------|
|                            | Date        | Expiration | Title        | Amount or | Derivative | Security:   |            |
|                            | Exercisable | Date       |              | Number of | Security   | Direct (D)  |            |
|                            |             |            |              | Shares    |            | or Indirect |            |
|                            |             |            |              |           |            | (I)         |            |
|                            |             |            |              |           |            | (Instr. 5)  |            |
| Performance Unit           | Â (1)       | 03/11/2020 | Common Stock | 2,350     | \$ 0 (2)   | D           | Â          |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | Â (3)       | 03/31/2019 | Common Stock | 18,000    | \$ 22.45   | D           | Â          |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | Â (4)       | 03/11/2020 | Common Stock | 4,000     | \$ 41.94   | D           | Â          |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | Â (5)       | 01/30/2021 | Common Stock | 4,400     | \$ 56.16   | D           | Â          |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | Â (6)       | 02/24/2022 | Common Stock | 6,900     | \$ 66.14   | D           | Â          |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                          | Relationships |           |                                  |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------|
|                                                                                         | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                          | Other |
| Martin Scott A.<br>ALBEMARLE CORPORATION<br>451 FLORIDA STREET<br>BATON ROUGE, LA 70801 | Â             | Â         | Â Vice President, Fine Chemistry | Â     |

## Signatures

/s/ Karen G. Narwold, attorney  
in fact 03/05/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Performance Units issued on 3/12/2010. Total of 4,700 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.
- (2) Transaction has no purchase or sale price.
- (3) Stock Option granted on 4/01/2009 and will cliff vest on 4/01/2012.
- (4) Stock Option granted on 3/12/2010. Stock Option is to vest in 3 equal installments over 3 years: 1/3 vested on 3/12/2011, but not exercised; 1/3 to vest on 3/12/2012; 1/3 to vest on 3/12/2013.
- (5) Stock Option granted on 1/31/2011. Stock Option is to vest in 3 equal installments over 3 years: 1/3 vested on 1/31/2012, but not exercised; 1/3 to vest on 1/31/2013; 1/3 to vest on 3/12/2014.
- (6) Stock Option granted on 2/24/2012. Stock Option is to vest in 3 equal installments over 3 years: 2/24/2013, 2/24/2014, and 2/24/2015.

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