Stellmaker Donald W Form 4 February 03, 2009

# FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Stellmaker Donald W Issuer Symbol ALLETE INC [ALE] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 30 WEST SUPERIOR STREET 02/02/2009 below) below) Treasurer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DULUTH, MN 55803** Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	3.	4. Securities			5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if		onAcquired	` ′		Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	( / - / - /			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			C 1 W		or	ъ.	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/02/2009		A	631	A	\$ 0	1,373.5 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock							3,989.33 (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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Securit	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired					Follo	
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						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date		Number		
				C 1 W	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Stellmaker Donald W

30 WEST SUPERIOR STREET Treasurer

**DULUTH, MN 55803** 

### **Signatures**

Ingrid K. Johnson for Donald W. Stellmaker

02/03/2009

\*\*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).
- Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under ALLETE's stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plan and is based on plan **(1)** information available as of January 31, 2009.
- 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 January 31, 2009.

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