Hoolihan James J Form 4 June 03, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Stock

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Hoolihan James J Symbol

(Middle)

(Zip)

ALLETE INC [ALE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2009

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

100 NORTH POKEGAMA **AVENUE**

(Street)

(State)

06/01/2009

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

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GRAND RAPIDS, MN 55755

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of TransactionAcquired (A) or Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

2,260

Code V Amount (D) Common

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)

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| 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) | Code (Instr. 8) | 5. ionNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | 5 | ate | Amou Under Secur | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount or Title Number of Shares | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | Expiration Date | Title | | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hoolihan James J 100 NORTH POKEGAMA AVENUE X GRAND RAPIDS, MN 55755

Signatures

Ingrid K. Johnson for James J. Hoolihan

**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 feature of ALLETE's employee stock purchase plan, and is based on plan information available as of June 1, 2009.

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