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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

A Parnell Anthony Stephen

(Last) (First) (Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/01/2007

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]

(Check all applicable)

(give title below) (specify below)

VP - Global Sales

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

ALBEMARLE

CORPORATION, 451 FLORIDA STREET

(Street)

Director

_X__ Officer

10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

BATON ROUGE. 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:

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

Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

Common Stock 6,127.81 I Albemarle Savings Plan

Common Stock 3,000

D Â

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

Conversion or Exercise

5. Ownership Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | (Instr. 4) Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | (Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|------------|
| Nonqualified Option (right to buy) | 01/31/2005 | 01/30/2012 | Common Stock | 5,000 | \$ 23.45 | D | Â |
| Nonqualified Option (right to buy) | 01/30/2006 | 01/29/2013 | Common Stock | 8,000 | \$ 25.83 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Parnell Anthony Stephen ALBEMARLE CORPORATION 451 FLORIDA STREET BATON ROUGE, LA 70801 | Â | Â | VP - Global Sales | Â | | |

Signatures

**Signature of Reporting Person

Nicole C. Daniel, Attorney 01/03/2007 in Fact

Explanation of Responses:

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Date

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