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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** BERSCHIED JOHN R JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Alberto-Culver CO [ACV]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
31440 SOMERSET CIRCLE			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
			10/01/2008	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				Chief Compliance Officer			
(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			
GREEN OAKS, IL 60048				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne			

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly 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. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Prio	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					8,831	D	
Common Stock					5,425	I	See Footnote (2)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.255	10/01/2008		A	17,800	<u>(1)</u>	09/30/2018	Common Stock	17,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BERSCHIED JOHN R JR 31440 SOMERSET CIRCLE GREEN OAKS, IL 60048

Chief Compliance Officer

Signatures

/s/ James M. Spira as attorney-in-fact for John R. Berschied, Jr.

10/02/2008

**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) This option, which was granted under the Employee Stock Option Plan of 2006, vests in four equal annual installments beginning on September 30, 2009.
- (2) Held in the 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan. Represents Equivalent Shares calculated by taking the account balance divided by the closing stock price as of September 18, 2008 of \$27.42.

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