SHIPPAR DONALD J

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SHIPPAR DONALD J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLETE INC [ALE]				ng	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (1	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Check all applicable)				;)				
			(Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2010					XDirector 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
				endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
SUPERIOR, WI 54880											
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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	05/05/2010			M	7,217	A	\$ 29.79	29,785.68 (1)	D		
Common Stock	05/05/2010			S	7,217	D	\$ 37.5	22,568.68	D		
Common								20 505 51 (2)	ī	By RSOP	

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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 on Derivative 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)	\$ 29.79	05/05/2010		М	7,217	(3)	01/02/2012	Common Stock	7,217

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SHIPPAR DONALD J 8 BELKNAP SHORES SUPERIOR, WI 54880	X					

Signatures

Ingrid K. Johnson for Donald J. Shippar 05/06/2010

**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 pursuant to the dividend equivalent feature of a restricted stock grant under ALLETE's executive long-term incentive compensation plan and is based on plan information available as of April 30, 2010.
- (2) 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 April 30, 2010.
- (3) 50% was exercisable on January 2, 2003 and 50% was exercisable on January 2, 2004.

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