

Hodnik Alan R  
Form 4  
August 10, 2017

**FORM 4**

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Hodnik Alan R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

30 WEST SUPERIOR STREET

(Street)

DULUTH, MN 55802

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ALLETE INC [ALE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/08/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify  
below)

Chairman, President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
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Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                        | Price                                                                                                              |                                                                         |                                                                   |
|                                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                         | 53,716.93 <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                           | D                                                                       |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 08/08/2017                              |                                                             | I <sup>(2)</sup>                     | 1,977.55 D                                                              | \$<br>74.87                                                                                                        | 7,749.24 <sup>(3)</sup>                                                 | I By RSOP<br>Trust                                                |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 08/09/2017                              |                                                             | I <sup>(2)</sup>                     | 2,011.11 D                                                              | \$<br>74.35                                                                                                        | 5,748.345 <sup>(4)</sup>                                                | I By RSOP<br>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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repor<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
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|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                          | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date                                                        | Title                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                               | Relationships |           |                           |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
|                                                              | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |
| Hodnik Alan R<br>30 WEST SUPERIOR STREET<br>DULUTH, MN 55802 | X             |           | Chairman, President & CEO |       |

## Signatures

Ingrid K. Johnson for Alan R.  
Hodnik 08/10/2017

\_\_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 employee stock purchase plan, the dividend reinvestment feature of
- ALLETE's stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plan, and the dividend equivalent feature of restricted stock grants pursuant to ALLETE's executive long-term incentive compensation plan, all based on plan information available as of July 31, 2017.
  - These transactions, which were approved in advance by the Board of Directors, were undertaken to re-balance and diversify the reporting person's investments within ALLETE's retirement savings and stock ownership plan (RSOP).
  - Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions pursuant to the RSOP and is based on RSOP plan information available as of August 9, 2017.
  - Based on RSOP plan information available as of August 10, 2017.

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