

ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN HOLDING L.P.  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â AXA FINANCIAL (BERMUDA) LTD.		(Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2008	ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN HOLDING L.P. [AB]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
C/O 1290 AVENUE OF AMERICAS			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
NEW YORK, Â NY Â 10104			<input type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below)	(specify below)
			See Footnotes (2)(3)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
				<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Units <sup>(1)</sup>	0 <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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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 (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
AXA FINANCIAL (BERMUDA) LTD. C/O 1290 AVENUE OF AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10104	^	^	^	See Footnotes (2)(3)

## Signatures

Kevin R. Byrne, President and Chief Executive Officer	12/19/2008
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\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Units representing assignments of beneficial ownership of limited partnership interests ("Units") in AllianceBernstein Holding L.P.
- (2) AXA Financial (Bermuda) Ltd. is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of AXA Financial, Inc. ("AXA Financial")
- (3) For more information on AXA Financial's direct and indirect holdings of Units, please see AXA Financial's most recent Form 4 filing with respect to the Units.

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