

SHIPPAR DONALD J  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>Shippar Donald J.</b> (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>30 West Superior Street</b>  (Street) <b>Duluth, MN 55802</b>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>ALLETE (ALE)</b>			6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>President &amp; Chief Operating Officer MP</b>				
			3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)			4. Statement for Month/Day/Year <b>2/3/03</b>				
						5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)				
						7. 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				
(City) (State) (Zip)			<b>Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	2/3/03		A		1573.59	A		7204.61	D	
Common Stock								8967.02 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By RSOP Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.  
\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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**FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date,	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially	10. Ownership Form	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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(Instr. 3)	Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	if any (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Securities (A) or (D)		Year		(Instr. 3 & 4)		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exer-cisable	Expira-tion Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Option - Right to Buy	20.51	2/3/03		A		8371		see below <sup>(2)</sup>	2/3/13	Common Stock	8371	8371	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Includes shares acquired in exempt transactions under ALLETE's retirement savings and stock ownership plan, and is based on plan information available as of February 3, 2003.

(2) The option vests annually, 50% in 2004 and 50% in 2005.

By: /s/ **Ingrid K. Johnson**  
**Ingrid K. Johnson f/k/a Ingrid Kane-Johnson for**  
**Donald J. Shippar**  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

**February 5, 2003**  
 Date

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 See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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