

ALBEMARLE CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 20, 2009

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) October 20, 2009 (October 14, 2009)**

**ALBEMARLE CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

**Virginia**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-12658**  
(Commission  
file number)

**54-1692118**  
(IRS employer  
identification no.)

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**451 Florida Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**70801**  
(Zip code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code**

**(225) 388-7400**

**Not applicable**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On October 14, 2009, the Board of Directors of Albemarle Corporation (the Company) elected Barry W. Perry to serve as a Director of the Company, effective as of January 1, 2010. The Board of Directors did not appoint Mr. Perry to serve on any board committees at the time of Mr. Perry's election. The Company will provide information regarding any committee appointments, if any, within four business days after the information is determined or becomes available. Mr. Perry will be eligible to participate in the Company's compensation arrangements for non-employee directors, as described in the Company's 2009 annual proxy statement. The press release announcing Mr. Perry's appointment as a Director of the Company was issued on October 20, 2009, by the Company and is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On October 14, 2009, the Board of Directors of the Company approved amendments to Article II of the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws to increase the size of the Board of Directors to 10 directors, effective as of January 1, 2010. The Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws are attached hereto as Exhibit 3.2 and incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

*(d) Exhibits.*

- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, effective as of January 1, 2010
- 99.1 Press release, dated October 20, 2009, issued by the Company

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 20, 2009

**ALBEMARLE CORPORATION**

By:                   /s/ NICOLE C. DANIEL  
                          **Nicole C. Daniel**  
                          **Assistant General Counsel and**  
                          **Assistant Secretary**

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