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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Weisenseel John C

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN

(Check all applicable)

HOLDING L.P. [AB] (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/12/2017

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Chief Financial Officer

C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P., 1345 AVENUE OF THE

AMERICAS

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

NEW YORK, NY 10105

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

units rep.

assignments

of beneficial

owner. of lp

interests (1)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

12/12/2017

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year) 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned **Following**

7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)

I

Price Code V Amount (D)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

92,106

under employee incentive

by rabbi trust

compensation award program

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	Deriv
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					of (D)						(Instr
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									Number		
				C + V	(A) (D)			of			
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Weisenseel John C C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P. 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10105

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ David M. Lesser, by pwr. of att'y

12/14/2017

**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).
- (1) Units representing assignments of beneficial ownership of limited partnership interests in AllianceBernstein Holding L.P. ("AB Holding Units").

Reporting Person's 2017 long-term incentive compensation award, which was approved by the Compensation Committee of the Board on December 12, 2017, was made in the form of AB Holding Units. Reporting Person therefore may be deemed to have acquired 31,463 AB Holding Units. These AB Holding Units are held in a rabbi trust under AllianceBernstein's incentive compensation award program until

(2) Holding Units. These AB Holding Units are held in a rabbi trust under AllianceBernstein's incentive compensation award program until they vest and are delivered to the Reporting Person. The award vests, subject to various agreements and covenants set forth in the applicable award agreement, in equal annual increments on each of December 1, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021. The price set forth in the table is the closing price of an AB Holding Unit on December 12, 2017.

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