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(Print or Type R	Responses)									
Holquist Laura A Sy			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLETE INC [ALE]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (M		of Earliest Tr	-			(Cheo	ck all applicable	e)	
ALLETE PF	ROPERTIES, INC RKWAY, SUITE	(Month 2., 4315 01/28/	/Day/Year)	ansaction			Director X_Officer (give below) President		6 Owner er (specify erties	
	nendment, Da onth/Day/Year	-			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 					
FORT MYE	ERS, FL 33916						Person		porting	
(City)	(State) (2	Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ties Acc	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	ty (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if		Code	on(A) or Dis (D)	sposed	l of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common	01/29/2005		Code V		(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	D		
Stock	01/28/2005		А	612.94	А	\$0	2,942 <u>(1)</u>	D		
Common Stock							1,012.22	I	By RSOP Trust	
Common Stock							1,135.27	Ι	By Spouse	

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	1		7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Holquist Laura A ALLETE PROPERTIES, INC. 4315 METRO PARKWAY, SUITE 500 FORT MYERS, FL 33916			President ALLETE Properties				
Signatures							
Ingrid K. Johnson for Laura A. Holquist	02/01/2005						
**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 the dividend reinvestment feature of ALLETE's employee stock purchase plan, and (1) is based on plan information available as of January 1, 2005.

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