ALBEMARLE CORP Form 8-K February 12, 2008

# 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) February 12, 2008 (February 5, 2008)

# ALBEMARLE CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

Virginia (State or other jurisdiction 1-12658 (Commission file number) **54-1692118** (IRS employer

of incorporation)

identification no.)

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330 South Fourth Street, Richmond, Virginia
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

23219
(Zip code)

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(804) 788-6000

### Not applicable

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

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 1 3e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.1 3e-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.

#### 2007 Bonuses

On February 5, 2008, the Executive Compensation Committee approved the following bonuses for fiscal 2007 under the Company s 2003 Incentive Plan for the Company s named executive officers: Mark C. Rohr, President and Chief Executive Officer (\$1,000,000); John M. Steitz, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer (\$420,000); Richard J. Diemer, Jr., Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (\$330,000); Luther C. Kissam, IV, Senior Vice President, Law and Manufacturing (\$345,000); and William M. Gottwald, Chairman of the Board (\$300,000).

### **Restricted Stock Awards**

On February 5, 2008, the Executive Compensation Committee approved a grant of 6,000 shares of restricted stock under the Albemarle Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan (the Plan ) to Mark C. Rohr. The shares of restricted stock granted to Mr. Rohr will vest in three equal increments beginning on the first anniversary date of the award. The award is subject to the terms of a Restricted Stock Award Agreement. The Restricted Stock Award Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

### **Incentive Plan Target Bonuses**

On February 5, 2008, the Executive Compensation Committee established the annual incentive plan metrics for 2008 bonuses based on the following factors: annual net income before special items, working capital reduction, health, safety and environmental metrics and strategic sustainability metrics.

### Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits.
  - 10.1 Restricted Stock Award Agreement for Mark C. Rohr
  - 10.2 Notice of Performance Unit Award

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### **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: February 12, 2008 ALBEMARLE CORPORATION

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

### EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

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