

BREKKEN KATHLEEN A  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
<b>Brekken Kathleen A.</b>			<b>ALLETE (ALE)</b>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director —		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)			4. Statement for Month/Day/Year		
						1/2/03		
32057 - 64th Avenue PO Box 20						5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)		
(Street)						7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
Cannon Falls, MN 55009						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person		
						<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Trans-action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/ Year)		3. Trans-action Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)		6. Owner-ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price								
Common Stock												10861.061	D		

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans-action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Trans-action Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/ Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Owner-ship Form of Derivative Security: Direct	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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				of (D)		Date	Expira- tion Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	(Instr. 4)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
				(Instr. 3, 4 & 5)	(Instr. 3, 4 & 5)							
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exer-cisable					
Stock Option (right to buy)	23.20	1/2/03	A		1500		see below <sup>(1)</sup>	1/2/13	Common Stock	1500	1500	D

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Option vests annually, 50% in 2004 and 50% in 2005.

By: /s/ **Philip R. Halverson**  
**Philip R. Halverson for Kathleen A. Brekken**  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

**January 3, 2003**  
 Date

\*\*Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.  
 See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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