

ALBEMARLE CORP
Form 8-K
April 26, 2006

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) April 26, 2006

ALBEMARLE CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

Virginia
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-12658
(Commission file number)

54-1692118
(IRS employer
identification no.)

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

23219
(Zip code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code (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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Section 8 Other Events

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On April 26, 2006, Albemarle Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing, among other things, that Albemarle PPC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, has initiated the consultation process required by French law with the Works Council representing employees at Albemarle PPC's facility in Thann, France, regarding the potential closure of the facility. A copy of the press release issued by the Company on April 26, 2006 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) *Exhibits.*

99.1 Press release, dated April 26, 2006, 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: April 26, 2006

ALBEMARLE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Luther C. Kissam, IV
Luther C. Kissam, IV
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and
Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

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