HOWARD JOHN B

Form 4

December 20, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HOWARD JOHN B**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

HOLDING L.P. [AB]

(Check all applicable)

SVP & Chief Financial Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2010

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

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/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

NEW YORK, NY 10105

units rep.

assignments

of beneficial

owner. of lp

interests (1)

(City) (State) (Zip)

12/10/2010

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) (A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Price Amount (D)

by rabbi trust under employee $163,243 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ 23.72 incentive compensation

award program

7. Nature of Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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					4, and 5)						
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						Date	* '		or		
						Exercisable			Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOWARD JOHN B C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P. 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10105

SVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Laurence E. Cranch, by pwr of att'y

**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. ("Holding Units").
 - Reporting Person's 2010 incentive compensation award was made in the form of 57,847 Holding Units. In addition, Reporting Person was granted, in accordance with the terms and conditions of our incentive compensation award program, an additional award of 105,396
- (2) Holding Units as replacement equity for awards he forfeited upon joining AllianceBernstein. He therefore may be deemed to have acquired 163,243 Holding Units. Reporting Person's Holding Units are held in a rabbi trust under the incentive compensation award program until they vest and are distributed to Reporting Person. The awards vest (subject to various agreements and covenants set forth in the award agreement) in equal annual increments on each of December 1, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014.
- (3) The price reflected in the table is the closing price of a Holding Unit as reported for New York Stock Exchange composite transactions on December 10, 2010, the date the award was approved by the Compensation Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Directors of AllianceBernstein Corporation. This form was not filed within 48 hours of the grant date because, on that date, the Committee authorized

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our Chief Executive Officer to finalize the exact amount of the award at a later date; our CEO finalized the award on December 16, 2010. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.