ALBEMARLE CORP Form DEFA14A March 28, 2006

## **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **SCHEDULE 14A**

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#### ALBEMARLE CORPORATION

(Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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The following letter was sent by Albemarle Corporation (the	Company ) to holders of shares of its common stock who have elected to receive the
Company s proxy materials and annual report electronically	over the Internet instead of receiving copies of such documents in the mail.

March 20, 2006

Dear Shareholder:

You have consented to access all future proxy materials and annual reports of Albemarle Corporation (the Company) electronically over the Internet instead of receiving paper copies of such documents in the mail. The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Company s proxy materials for the 2006 annual meeting of its shareholders and its 2005 annual report are now available on the Company s website at http://www.albemarle.com. After accessing these documents, please vote your shares promptly

by marking, signing, dating and returning the enclosed proxy card using the enclosed envelope, or

by telephone or over the Internet by following the instructions provided on the enclosed proxy card. You may request paper copies of the proxy materials for the 2006 annual meeting of the Company s shareholders and the Company s 2005 annual report by contacting the Company at 1-804-788-6107.

Very truly yours,

Luther C. Kissam, IV

Secretary