Alliance Holdings GP, L.P. Form 4 August 07, 2008

# FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Tichnell Geor	-	_	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Alliance Holdings GP, L.P. [AHGP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)			
PO BOX 291257			(Month/Day/Year) 08/07/2008	Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below)  Member of 13d group (over 10%)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
PORT ORANGE, FL 32129			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of					
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,	if Transacti	onAcquired (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect					

Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8.
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	D
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	S

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Call Option (Obligation to sell) (1)	\$ 29.98	08/07/2008		S			15	07/28/2008	10/28/2008	Common Units	15

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tichnell George Clifford PO BOX 291257 PORT ORANGE, FL 32129

Member of 13d group (over 10%)

### **Signatures**

/s/ George C. Tichnell by Mindy Kerber, pursuant to power of attorney dated February 3, 2007

08/07/2008

\*\*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).

The undersigned Reporting Person entered into an option agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which the Issuer acquired a 90 day option (1) to purchase 15 of the Issuer's Common Units held by the undersigned for an exercise price of \$29.98 per common unit. The Issuer paid to the undersigned consideration of \$.02 per common unit for such option.

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