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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 * Gingrich James A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN HOLDING L.P. [AB]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(State)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN

(Month/Day/Year) 01/18/2013

below) **Chief Operating Officer**

L.P., 1345 AVENUE OF THE **AMERICAS**

(Street)

(City)

Holding

Units (1)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

93,270

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Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

NEW YORK, NY 10105

	Tube 1 Non Berraute Securities required, Disposed of, or Beneficiary Owned									
		3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactioner Disposed of (D)				5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect		
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	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership			
						Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)		
				(A)		*	(I)			
						` '	(Instr. 4)			
		Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
01/18/2013 <u>(2)</u>		A	155,968 (2) (3)	A	\$ 19.972 (2)	415,397	I	by rabbi trust under incentive compensation program		
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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 Exer	cisable and	7. Title a	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gingrich James A C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P. 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10105

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

/s/ Mona Bhalla, by power of attorney

01/22/2013

**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).
- Units representing assignments of beneficial ownership of limited partnership interests in AllianceBernstein Holding L.P. ("Holding **(1)** Units").
- The price set forth in the table is the average of the closing prices of a Holding Unit as reported for New York Stock Exchange composite transactions for the five business day period that commenced on January 14, 2013 and concluded on January 18, 2013. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted the award at a regular meeting duly called and held on December 3, 2012. This form was not filed within 48 hours of grant date because the Holding Unit value was not calculated until January 18, 2013.
- (3) Reporting Person's 2012 incentive compensation award was made in the form of Holding Units. He therefore may be deemed to have acquired 155,968 Holding Units. These Holding Units are held in a rabbi trust under AllianceBernstein's incentive compensation award program until they vest and are distributed to the Reporting Person. The award vests, subject to various agreements and restrictive

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covenants set forth in the applicable award agreement, in equal annual increments on each of December 1, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

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