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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Â Taggart Richard G  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

NEW YORK, Â NY Â 10105

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)  
01/21/2009

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN HOLDING L.P. [AB]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer  Other  
(give title below) (specify below)  
EVP and Global Head of Ops.

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

units rep. assignments of beneficial owner. of lp interests <sup>(1)</sup> 5,278 <sup>(2)</sup>

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

I by rabbi trust under deferred compensation plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. Conversion or Exercise

5. Ownership Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)
		Title			

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Taggart Richard G C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P. 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10105	Â	Â	Â EVP and Global Head of Ops.	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Richard G. Taggart  
01/27/2009  
Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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")
- (2) Reporting Person notionally invested a portion of his 2008 award under an employee deferred compensation plan in Holding Units. In so doing, he may be deemed to have acquired 5,278 Holding Units. These Holding Units are held in a rabbi trust under the compensation plan until they are distributed to Reporting Person. The award vests (restrictions on Reporting Person's ability to sell the Holding Units lapse) in equal annual increments on each of December 1, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

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