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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Rathburn Gary J.	2. Issuer Na Alliance Re			Per to I	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1717 S. Boulder Avenue Suite 600	3. I.R.S. Ide of Reporting if an entity (g Person,	Number	Mon	4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 3/24/03		Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
							nior Vice esident-Mar	keting			
(Street) Tulsa, OK 74119				Date	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)		7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting				
Tuisa, OK 74117							Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)	Tabl	e I Non-D	erivati	ve Seci	urities Acquired,	Dispose	d of, or Ben	eficially Owned			
1. Title of 2. Trans- 2A. Deemed Execution Date Date,	y action Execution action Code (A		es Acqu posed of & 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially		6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial			
(Month/ Day/ if any Year) (Month/Day/ Year)	Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)		` ′	Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Unit						6,500	D				
Common Unit						3,000	I	By daughter			

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

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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	1. Title of	2. Conver-	3. Trans-	3A.	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature	
	Derivative	sion or	action	Deemed	Trans-	Number	and Expiration	Amount of	Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	of Indirect	
١	Security	Exercise	Date	Execution	action	of	Date	Underlying	Security	Securities	ship	Beneficial	
		Price of		Date,	Code	Derivative	(Month/Day/	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Form	Ownership	
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^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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		Day/ Year)	`	(Instr. 8)		Securi Acqui (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 4 & 5)	red sed	Year)		(Instr. 3 & 4)		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)		Exer-cisable	Expira- tion Date		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	
Phantom unit	1 for 1							(1)	_	Common Unit		5,293	D	
Restricted unit	1 for 1							(2)	_	Common Unit		25,600	D	
Restricted unit	1 for 1	3/24/03(4)		A		9,250		(3)	(3)	Common Unit	9,250	9,250	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The Phantom units are to be settled in either cash or ARLP common units, at the election of the Compensation Committee, upon the reporting person's death or termination.
- (2) The Restricted units will vest when the issuer meets certain financial tests described in the Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Issuer which would typically be no earlier than September 30, 2004. Once vested the restricted units are to be settled in either cash or ARLP common units, at the election of the Compensation Committee.
- (3) The Restricted units will vest on September 30, 2005 provided that the issuer meets certain financial tests and the subordination period described in the Agreement of Limited Partnership ends. Once vested the restricted units are to be settled in either cash or ARLP common units, at the election of the Compensation Committee.
- (4) The transaction was approved by the Managing GP's Compensation Committee on March 24, 2003, effective January 1, 2003.

By: /s/ Gary J. Rathburn

March 24, 2003

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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