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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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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 \*

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(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10105

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)  
12/19/2011

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)  
Chairman and CEO, SCB LLC

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>

Holding Units <sup>(1)</sup>

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

0

78,313

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

D

I

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

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by rabbi trust under employee deferred incentive compensation plans

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)**

