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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)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â van Brugge Robert P</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P.,Â 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10105</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>12/19/2011</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN HOLDING L.P. [AB]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other                  (give title below) (specify below)                  Chairman and CEO, SCB LLC</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>
			<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>	

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	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)
units rep. assignments of beneficial owner. of lp interests <sup>(1)</sup>	0	D	Â
Holding Units <sup>(1)</sup>	78,313	I	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)**

