

Baltrus William
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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 *
 Å Baltrus William

 (Last) (First) (Middle)

 5 TOWER BRIDGE, 300 BARR
 HARBOR DRIVE, Å SUITE 300

 (Street)

 WEST
 CONSHOCKEN, Å PA Å 19428

 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event
 Requiring Statement
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/09/2008

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ABERDEEN AUSTRALIA EQUITY FUND INC
 [IAF]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer ___ Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___X___ 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)	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)
Common Stock (par value \$.01)	0	D	Å

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 (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Baltrus William 5 TOWER BRIDGE, 300 BARR HARBOR DRIVE SUITE 300 WEST CONSHOHOCKEN, PA 19428	^	^	^ Vice President	^

Signatures

/s/William Baltrus, by Victoria M.
Szybillo, attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a
Power of Attorney

09/18/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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