ABERDEEN AUSTRALIA EQUITY FUND INC Form 144 January 15, 2009 UNITED STATES OMB APPROVAL **OMB** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Number: 3235-0101 Washington, D.C. 20549 Expires: December 31, 2009 Estimated average **FORM 144** burden hours per response 2.00 NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALE OF SECURITIES SEC USE ONLY PURSUANT TO RULE 144 UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 **DOCUMENT** SEQUENCE NO. ATTENTION: Transmit for filing 3 copies of this form concurrently with either placing an order with a broker to **CUSIP NUMBER** execute sale or executing a sale directly with a market maker. 1(a) NAME OF ISSUER (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT) (b) IRS IDENT. (c) S.E.C. FILE NO. WORK LOCATION NO. Aberdeen Australia Equity Fund, Inc. 811-04438 (e) TELEPHONE NO. 1(d) ADDRESS OF ISSUER STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE AREA NUMBER CODE 800 Scudders Mill Road Plainsboro, New Jersey 08536 839-5205 866 2(a) NAME OF PERSON FOR WHOSE ACCOUNT (b) IRS IDENT (c) (d) ADDRESS STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE THE SECURITIES ARE TO BE SOLD RELATIONSHIP NO. TO ISSUER Berlin, 2M D10178 Alexanderplatz 2 Affiliate through Landesbank Berlin AG securities ownership INSTRUCTION: The person filing this notice should contact the issuer to obtain the I.R.S. Identification Number and the S.E.C. File Number.

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		Broker-Dealer					
Title of the		File Number	Number of	Aggregate	Number of	Approximate	Name of Each
Class of Securities			Shares	Market	Shares	Date of Sale	Securities
	Name and Address of Each Broker		or Other Units		or Other Units	Dute of Bule	Exchange
	Through Whom the		To Be Sold	(See Instr. $3(d)$)	Outstanding (See Instr. 3)	(See Instr. 3(f))	Č
To Be Sold	Securities are to be Offered or Each			(See Instr. 3(a))	, .	(222 23337 2 07)	(See Instr.
	Market Maker				(See Instr. 3(e))	(MO. DAY YR.	$)^{3(g))}$

(See Instr. who is Acquiring the Securities *3(c))*

Common Stock, Raymond James & Associates 192,297 \$1,486,455 19,229,769 01/13/2009 and AMEX

par value \$.01 subsequent per share

880 Carillon Parkway based on closing price

on 1/9/09 St. Petersburg, Fl. 33702

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. (a) Name of issuer
- (b) Issuer s I.R.S. Identification Number
- (c) Issuer s S.E.C. file number, if any
- (d) Issuer s address, including zip code
- (e) Issuer s telephone number including area code
- 2. (a) Name of person for whose account the securities are to
- (b) Such person s I.R.S. identification number, if such person is (g) Name of each securities exchange, if any, on which the securities are intended to be sold. an entity
- (c) Such person s relationship to the Issuer (e.g., officer, director,

stockholder, or member of immediate family of any of the foregoing)

(d) Such person s address, including zip code

- 3. (a) Title of the class of securities to be sold
- (b) Name and address of each broker though whom the securities are intended to be sold
- (c) Number of shares or other units to be sold (if debt securities, give the aggregate face amount)
- (d) Aggregate market value of the securities to be sold as of a specified date within 10 days prior to the filing of this notice
- (e) Number of shares or other units of the class outstanding, or if debt securities the face amount thereof outstanding, as shown by the most recent report or statement published by the issuer
- (f) Approximate date on which the securities are to be sold

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

TABLE I SECURITIES TO BE SOLD

Furnish the following information with respect to the acquisition of the securities to be sold

and with respect to the payment of all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor:

Amount of

Title of Date you

the Class Acquired Name of Acquisition Transaction

Common stock October 17, Purchase Agreement of Aberdeen 2002 Australia Equity Fund, Inc.

Name of Person from Whom Acquired Securities

(If gift, also give date donor acquired) Acquired Mira, L.P. 5,348,149 Date of

Payment Nature of Payment

October 22, Cash

2002

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. If the securities were purchased and full payment therefor was not made in cash at the time of purchase, explain in the table or in a note thereto the nature of the consideration given. If the consideration consisted of any note or other obligation, or if payment was made in installments, describe the arrangement and state when the note or other obligation was discharged in full or the last installment paid.

TABLE II SECURITIES SOLD DURING THE PAST 3 MONTHS

Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past 3 months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold.

> Amount of Date of

Name and Address of Seller Title of Securities Sold Securities Sold Gross Proceeds Sale

REMARKS:

INSTRUCTIONS:

ATTENTION:

See the definition of person in paragraph (a) of Rule 144. Information is to be The person for whose account the securities to which this notice relates are to given not only as to the person for whose account the securities are to be sold but be sold hereby represents by signing this notice that he does not know any also as to all other persons included in that definition. In addition, information shall be given as to sales by all persons whose sales are required by paragraph (e) operations of the Issuer of the securities to be sold which has not been publicly of Rule 144 to be aggregated with sales for the account of the person filing this notice.

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material adverse information in regard to the current and prospective disclosed If such person has adopted a written trading plan or given trading instructions to satisfy Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, by signing the form and indicating the date that the plan was adopted or the instruction given, that person makes such representation as of the plan adoption or instruction date..

By: /s/ Moritz Sell

Moritz Sell, Director

LANDESBANK BERLIN A.G.

/s/ Claudia Fritze		
Claudia Fritze, Director		
DATE OF NOTICE	(SIGNATURE)	
The notice shall be signed by the person for whose	account the securities are to be sold. At least one copy of the notice shall be manually sign	ıed.

Any copies not manually signed shall bear typed or printed signatures.

ATTENTION: Intentional misstatements or omission of facts constitute Federal Criminal

Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)