Al03.eam.alloy release notes, 11 February 2009. This file and the interatomic potential can be found at http://www.ctcms.nist.gov/potentials/.

These are the results of tests done to assess the accuracy of the conversion from Yuri Mishin's Al files in the x,y plt format to the setfl format (Al03.eam.alloy, conversion 4 February 2009 by C.A. Becker). The conversion was done by interpolating the plt files using cubic splines, ensuring the rho(r) and phi(r) started at r=0. The converter is adapted from Yuri Mishin's SOLD (Simulator of Lattice Defects) program in order to be as consistent as possible with previous results. For all tests, the simulation contained 1 unit cell with periodic boundary conditions and atoms in their ideal positions. Conjugate gradient energy minimization was used to minimize the total energy. The SOLD program was kindly provided by Yuri Mishin.

The original reference for this potential is: R.R. Zope and Y. Mishin, "Interatomic potentials for atomistic simulations of the Ti-Al system," Phys. Rev. B 68, 024102 (2003).

To use the file Al03.eam.alloy with LAMMPS, the following should be included in the input file:

units metal atom_style atomic pair style eam/alloy

* * Al03.eam.allov Al pair_coeff

Comparison of minimum energies from SOLD and LAMMPS

Element a (A) E_min(SOLD,eV) E min(LAMMPS,eV) Notes fcc Al 4.045 -0.134397744936E+02 -13.4397744936 = -3.360000023 eV/atom 4.05 -0.134400000917E+02 -13.4400000916 4.055 -0.134397762952E+02 -13.4397762952

EAM function values from SOLD and LAMMPS

AI a=4.05 A

r^2	rho(SOLE))	rho(LAMMPS)
8.201250	0.056304	988380970	0.056304988380983
16.402500	0.026181	183722012	0.026181183722155
24.603750	0.006599	895956940	0.006599895956939
32.805000	0.000722	317898493	0.000722317898493
41.006250	0.000007	823399479	0.000007823399479
r^2	phi(SOLD))	phi(LAMMPS)
8.201250	-0.084616	3103339349	-0.084616103338304
16.402500	-0.008659	701806386	-0.008659701806418
24.603750	0.012926	429227054	0.012926429227056
32.805000	0.007417	175893879	0.007417175893873
41.006250	0.000162	983142243	0.000162983142242
rho(SOLD)	F	(SOLD)	
1 00000042239676 -2 695800579595233			

1.000000042239676 -2.695800579595233

F(LAMMPS) rho(LAMMPS)

1.000000042240670 -2.695800579596680 1.000000042240669 -2.695800579596680