

Johnsen James  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Johnsen James

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS GROUP INC [ALSK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
600 TELEPHONE AVENUE,  
MS#65  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/19/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr Vice Pres, Human Resources

ANCHORAGE, AK 99503

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
common stock, \$.01 par value	03/19/2012		A		1,247	A	\$ 0 (1) 4,282
common stock, \$.01 par value	03/19/2012		F		383	D	\$ 3.19 3,899

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted stock units	(2)	03/19/2012		A	34,254	03/01/2013 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/01/2013 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Johnsen James 600 TELEPHONE AVENUE, MS#65 ANCHORAGE, AK 99503			Sr Vice Pres, Human Resources	

## Signatures

/s/ Leonard Steinberg for James Johnsen  
Date: 03/21/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Performance stock unit award granted under the Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. 2011 Incentive Award Plan and vested upon achievement of previously established performance criteria.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. common stock.
- (3) The restricted stock units will vest on March 1, 2013, subject to continued employment.
- (4) Restricted stock unit award under the Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. 2011 Incentive Award Plan

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