

ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.

Form 4

April 01, 2016

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ELIASSEN MARK G

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.
[ALK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/29/2016

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
VP/FINANCE & TREASURER

SEATTLE, WA 98188

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
COMMON STOCK 401(K) ⁽¹⁾				(A) or (D)	783	I	ESOP TRUST
RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT ⁽²⁾					3,040	D	
COMMON STOCK ESPP	02/29/2016		A ⁽³⁾	V 195 A \$ 62.815	5,302	D	
COMMON STOCK	04/01/2016		M	2,500 A \$ 6.555	7,060	D	
	04/01/2016		S ⁽⁴⁾	2,500 D \$ 80.73	4,560	D	

COMMON
STOCK

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 6.555	04/01/2016		M	2,500	09/14/2010 09/14/2019	COMMON STOCK

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ELIASSEN MARK G
19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD
SEATTLE, WA 98188

VP/FINANCE & TREASURER

Signatures

/S/ JEANNE E GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR MARK G.
ELIASSEN

04/01/2016

**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) COMMON SHARES HELD IN THE ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST, AS OF 12/31/15.

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- (2) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER ALASKA AIR GROUP'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (3) SHARES ACQUIRED UNDER ALASKA AIR GROUP'S 2010 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN THAT ARE EXEMPT UNDER BOTH RULE 16b-3(d) and RULE 16b-3(c).
- (4) SAME-DAY EXERCISE OF OPTIONS AND SALE EFFECTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b5-1 TRADING PLAN ADOPTED BY MR. ELIASSEN ON 11/23/15.

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