

DELTA AIR LINES INC /DE/
Form SC 13G/A
March 10, 2009

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

SCHEDULE 13G

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 7)***

Delta Air Lines Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

247361702

(CUSIP Number)

July 31, 2008

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
- Rule 13d-1(c)
- Rule 13d-1(d)

***Explanatory Note:** This Amendment No. 7 to Schedule 13G (this Amendment) amends and restates in its entirety the Amendment No. 7 to Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 8, 2008 by Lord, Abnett & Co. LLC (the Reporting Person). The Reporting Person is filing this Amendment to add additional information to its prior response to Item 6.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP No. 247361702

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| 1. | Names of Reporting Persons
Lord, Abbett & Co. LLC | |
| 2. | Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions) | |
| | (a) <input type="radio"/> | |
| | (b) <input type="radio"/> | |
| 3. | SEC Use Only | |
| 4. | Citizenship or Place of Organization
Delaware | |
| Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With | 5. | Sole Voting Power
27,750,818 |
| | 6. | Shared Voting Power
0 |
| | 7. | Sole Dispositive Power
30,598,273 |
| | 8. | Shared Dispositive Power
0 |
| 9. | Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
30,698,022 | |
| 10. | Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) <input type="radio"/> N/A | |
| 11. | Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
10.10% | |
| 12. | Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)
IA | |

Item 1.

- (a) Name of Issuer
Delta Air Lines Inc.
- (b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices
1030 Delta Boulevard

Atlanta, GA 30320

Item 2.

- (a) Name of Person Filing
Lord, Abbett & Co. LLC.
- (b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence
90 Hudson Street

Jersey City, NJ 07302.
- (c) Citizenship
See No. 4 on page 2.
- (d) Title of Class of Securities
See cover page.
- (e) CUSIP Number
See cover page.

Item 3.

If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a) Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o);
- (b) Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (c) Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (d) Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
- (e) An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) A parent holding company or control person in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) A non-U.S. institution in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
- (k) Group, in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K). If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify the type of institution: _____

Item 4. Ownership

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

- (a) Amount beneficially owned:

See No. 9 on page 2.
- (b) Percent of class:

See No. 11 on page 2.
- (c) Number of shares as to which the person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote

See No. 5 on page 2.
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote

See No. 6 on page 2.
 - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

See No. 7 on page 2.
 - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

See No. 8 on page 2.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following .

Not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Securities reported on this Schedule 13G as being beneficially owned by Lord, Abbett & Co. LLC are held on behalf on investment advisory clients, which may include investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act, employee benefit plans, pension funds or other institutional clients.

As of July 31, 2008, Lord Abbett Affiliated Fund, Inc. had the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, more than 5 percent of the class of securities that is the subject of this Schedule 13G.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company or Control Person

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

Item 10.

Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

March 10, 2009
Date

/s/ Lawrence H. Kaplan
Signature

Lawrence H. Kaplan/General Counsel
Name/Title