

AIRGATE PCS INC /DE/
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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 *
LEE DENNIS D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**AIRGATE PCS, INC., 233
PEACHTREE STREET, NE, SUITE
1700**

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30303

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AIRGATE PCS INC /DE/ [PCSA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/15/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
VP - Human Resources

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
Common Stock	02/15/2005		D	(A) or (D) <u>1</u>	0	I	see footnote <u>(2)</u>

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)

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(4) These options provided for vesting in the amount of 25% of the total grant on each anniversary of the grant date. On February 7, 2005, the Company's board of directors approved the full acceleration of vesting of these options, effective immediately prior to the closing of the merger on February 15, 2005 between the issuer and A-Co. Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Alamosa Holdings, Inc. The options were cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$112,770.00, representing the number of shares subject to the option times the difference between the exercise price of the option and the average closing price of Alamosa common stock for the ten trading days prior to the merger multiplied by 2.87 (\$36.62 per share).

(5) These Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted on April 8, 2004 pursuant to the terms of the 2002 LTIP.

These options provided for vesting in the amount of 25% of the total grant on each anniversary of the grant date, beginning April 8, 2005. On February 7, 2005, the Company's board of directors approved the full acceleration of vesting of these options, effective immediately prior to the closing of the merger on February 15, 2005. The options were cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$589,665.00, representing the number of shares subject to the option times the difference between the exercise price of the option and the average closing price of Alamosa common stock for the ten trading days prior to the merger multiplied by 2.87 (\$36.62 per share).

(7) Convertible into the issuer's common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

These Restricted Stock Units were scheduled to vest on April 8, 2007, subject to the achievement of certain performance objectives as detailed in the 2002 LTIP. On February 7, 2005, the Company's board of directors approved the full acceleration of vesting of the RSUs, effective immediately prior to the closing of the merger on February 15, 2005. The RSUs were cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$347,890.00, representing the number of RSUs times the average closing price of Alamosa common stock for the ten trading days prior to the merger multiplied by 2.87 (\$36.62 per share).

(9) None.

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