ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.

Form 4

February 22, 2016

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

COMMON

STOCK

02/20/2016

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addre HARRISON AN	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
		[ALK]					(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(Month/Day/Y	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)					
19300 INTERN	IATIONAL BLVI	J 02/20/2016	02/20/2016				EVP & CRO				
	4. If Amendm	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
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(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table I -	Non-Deriv	ative Secu	rities .	Acquired	, Disposed of, or	Beneficially	Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	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)		
(1) COMMON	00/00/00/0		*(2)			Φ.0					
STOCK	02/20/2016		J(2)	24,732	A	\$ 0	37,863	D			

 $F^{(3)}$

10,376 D

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

HARRISON ANDREW R 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD

EVP & CRO

SEATTLE, WA 98188

Signatures

/S/ JEANNE E GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR ANDREW R. **HARRISON**

02/22/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- 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).
- STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER ALASKA AIR GROUP'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO **(1)** FORFEITURE.
- ALK COMMON SHARES ISSUED UPON ATTAINING PERFORMANCE GOALS SET FOR A THREE-YEAR PERIOD ENDING 12/31/2015, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF PERFORMANCE STOCK UNITS GRANTED ON 02/11/2013 UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; PER APPROVAL BY THE BOARD'S COMPENSATION AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON 02/20/2016.
- COMMON SHARES FORFEITED TO COVER PAYROLL TAXES UPON VESTING OF PERFORMANCE STOCK UNITS ON 02/20/2016. AMOUNT PROVIDED IN COLUMN 4 REPRESENTS THE FMV OF THE SHARES ON THE DATE OF FORFEITURE.

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