

AIRGATE PCS INC /DE/
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FORM 4

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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 *
RISNER JOHN W

(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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/15/2005		D	3,000 D 0		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)

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr
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						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)			
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	02/15/2005		D			1,000	<u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RISNER JOHN W
AIRGATE PCS, INC.
233 PEACHTREE STREET, NE, SUITE 1700
ATLANTA, GA 30303

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Signatures

/s/ John W.
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02/15/2005

**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) Disposed of pursuant to merger agreement between issuer, Alamosa Holdings, Inc. and A-Co. Merger Sub, Inc. in exchange for \$36.62 per share of AirGate common stock.

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

(3) These Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") were scheduled to vest on April 8, 2005, subject to certain conditions as detailed in the AirGate PCS, Inc. Director Compensation Plan. On February 7, 2005, the Company's board of directors approved the full acceleration of vesting of these RSUs, 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 RSUs were cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$36,620.00, 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).

(4) None.

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