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OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PEDERSEN BRANDON Issuer Symbol ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. (Check all applicable) [ALK] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD** 05/23/2016 EXEC VP/FINANCE & CFO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SEATTLE, WA 98188 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature 6. (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership of Indirect any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (\mathbf{I}) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price RESTRICTED

STOCK UNIT							13,360	D
COMMON STOCK	05/23/2016	G	v	150	D	\$ 0	27,098	D
COMMON STOCK	09/07/2016	S <u>(2)</u>		9,193 (3)	D	\$ 70.4916	17,905	D
COMMON STOCK	09/08/2016	S		750	D	\$ 70.86	17,155	D
COMMON STOCK	09/08/2016	G	v	250	D	\$ 0	16,905	D

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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 Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	ss Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PEDERSEN BRANDON 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188			EXEC VP/FINANCE & CFO				
Signatures							
/S/ JEANNE E. GAMMON, ATTO PEDERSEN	RNEY IN	N FACT FOI	R BRANDON S.	09/08/2016			

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (2) SALE EFFECTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b5-1 TRADING PLAN ADOPTED BY MR. PEDERSEN ON 4/26/2016.

THE PRICE REPORTED IN COLUMN 4 IS A WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE. THESE SHARES SOLD IN MULTIPLE TRANSACTIONS AT PRICES RANGING FROM \$70.00 TO \$70.80, INCLUSIVE. THE REPORTING PERSON UNDERTAKES TO
(3) PROVIDE TO ALASKA AIR GROUP, ANY SECURITY HOLDER OF ALASKA AIR GROUP, OR THE STAFF OF THE

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, UPON REQUEST, FULL INFORMATION REGARDING THE NUMBER OF SHARES SOLD AT EACH SEPARATE PRICE WITHIN THE RANGES SET FORTH IN THIS FOOTNOTE.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Date

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