

LOVELESS KEITH

Form 4

February 01, 2010

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LOVELESS KEITH

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ALASKA AIRLINES INC, 19300
INTERNATIONAL BLVD**

(Street)

SEATTLE, WA 98188

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

ALASKA AIR GROUP INC [ALK]

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

01/31/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

VP/LEGAL & GENERAL COUNSEL

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
COMMON STOCK	01/31/2010		F ⁽¹⁾	390 D	\$ 31.34	1,090	D
COMMON STOCK	02/01/2010		M ⁽²⁾	3,700 A	\$ 18.76	3,700	D
COMMON STOCK ⁽³⁾						12,090	D
COMMON STOCK ⁽⁴⁾						742	D
COMMON STOCK ⁽⁵⁾						345	I ESOP TRUST

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COMMON
STOCK

2,137 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 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
EMP STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 18.76	02/01/2010		M ⁽⁶⁾	3,700	02/11/2004 02/11/2013	COMMON	3,700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
LOVELESS KEITH ALASKA AIRLINES INC 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188	Director 10% Owner Officer Other VP/LEGAL & GENERAL COUNSEL

Signatures

KAREN A. GRUEN, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR KEITH
LOVELESS

02/01/2010

____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) STOCK UNITS WITHHELD TO COVER PAYROLL TAXES UPON VESTING AND ISSUE OF NET SHARES IN CONNECTION WITH STOCK UNITS AWARDED JANUARY 31, 2007.
- (2) COMMON SHARES TO BE HELD IN BROKERAGE ACCOUNT FOLLOWING EXERCISE OF STOCK OPTIONS.
- (3) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE 2004 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE EQUITY AND 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLANS; NOT YET VESTED BUT NO LONGER SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (4) SHARES HELD IN ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009.
- (5) SHARES HELD IN AN ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009.
- (6) CASH EXERCISE OF INCENTIVE STOCK OPTIONS GRANTED 2/11/2003, VESTING IN 25% INCREMENTS ON 2/11/2004, 2005, 2006 AND 2007.

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