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ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. Form 4 December 09, 2016 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 TILDEN BRADLEY D 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** 12/07/2016 CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND CEO (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 5. Amount of 7. Nature 6. (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or 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 COMMON ESOP STOCK I 15,473 TRUST 401(K) (1) RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT 23,900 D (2) COMMON Ι GRAT 18,405 STOCK COMMON 12/07/2016 Μ 10,520 A \$0 141,977 D STOCK 12/07/2016 F D 139.698 D

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COMMON STOCK				2,279 (3)		\$ 87.67			
COMMON STOCK	12/08/2016	G	V	14,000	D	\$0	125,698	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ai or Ni of
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 19	12/07/2016		М	1	10,520	02/14/2013	02/14/2022	COMMON STOCK	1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Iress Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
TILDEN BRADLEY D 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188			CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT A	ND CEO				
Signatures								
/S/ JEANNE E. GAMMON, ATTO TILDEN	12/09/2016							
<u>**</u> Signature	of Reporting	g Person		Date				
Explanation of Resp	onse	s:						

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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COMMON SHARES HELD IN THE ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST, AS OF 12/31/15.

(2) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.

(3) THE PRICE REPORTED IN COLUMN 4 IS THE CLOSING PRICE OF ALK STOCK ON THE TRANSACTION DATE.

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