JOHNSON GLENN S

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad JOHNSON C	•	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALASKA AIR GROUP INC [ALK]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)			
ALASKA AIRLINES INC, 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD			(Month/Day/Year) 03/19/2010	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specif below) EXEC VP/FINANCE AND CFO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
SEATTLE, W	VA 98188		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

(City)	(State) (Zi	ip) Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
COMMON STOCK	03/19/2010		M	6,539	A	\$ 27.85	10,076	D	
COMMON STOCK	03/19/2010		M	6,036	A	\$ 18.76	16,112	D	
COMMON STOCK	03/19/2010		M	4,125	A	\$ 22.84	20,237	D	
COMMON STOCK	03/19/2010		M	1,750	A	\$ 26.1	21,987	D	
COMMON STOCK (1)							24,802	D	

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COMMON ESOP 860 Ι STOCK (2) **TRUST**

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number op f 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)	
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
EMP STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 27.85	05/31/2002	M		6,539	05/31/2003	05/31/2012	COMMON	6,539
EMP STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 18.76	02/11/2003	M		6,036	02/11/2004	02/11/2013	COMMON	6,036
EMP STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 22.84	07/16/2003	M		4,125	07/16/2004	07/16/2013	COMMON	4,125
EMP STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 26.1	03/01/2004	M		1,750	03/01/2005	03/01/2014	COMMON	1,750

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

JOHNSON GLENN S ALASKA AIRLINES INC 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188

EXEC VP/FINANCE AND CFO

Signatures

KAREN A. GRUEN, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR GLENN S. JOHNSON

03/23/2010

Other

**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 AWARDED UNDER THE 2004 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE EQUITY AND 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLANS; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (2) SHARES HELD IN AN ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009.

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