

DELTA AIR LINES INC /DE/
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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 *
Whitehurst James M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DELTA AIR LINES INC /DE/
[DALRQ.PK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/06/2006

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Chief Operating Officer

DELTA AIR LINES, INC., DEPT.
981, P.O. BOX 20574

(Street)

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

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

ATLANTA, GA 30320

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/06/2006 | | S | 11,844 D \$ 0.745 | 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 0 ⁽¹⁾ | I | Savings Plan |

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) | 8. Price or Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Series B ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock | (2) | | | | | (2) (2) | Common Stock (2) | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Whitehurst James M DELTA AIR LINES, INC., DEPT. 981 P.O. BOX 20574 ATLANTA, GA 30320 | | | Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

Nanci Oliver Sloan as attorney-in-fact for James M. Whitehurst
 Signature: _____ Date: 09/08/2006

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) See paragraph titled "BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON LIQUIDATION OF COMMON STOCK AND PREFERRED STOCK UNDER DELTA FAMILY-CARE SAVINGS PLAN" in the Remarks section, below for information regarding the events leading to the removal of Delta common stock ("Common Stock") and Series B ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock ("Preferred Stock") from Reporting Person's account under the Delta Family-Care Savings Plan (the "Plan").
- (2) Preferred Stock held under the Plan had no expiration date and was convertible into Common Stock at a rate of 1.7155 shares of Common Stock for each share of Preferred Stock.

Remarks:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON LIQUIDATION OF COMMON STOCK AND PREFERRED STOCK UNDER DEL

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