

ELIASEN MARK G
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FORM 4

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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 *
ELIASEN MARK G

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)
19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/11/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP/FINANCE & TREASURER

SEATTLE, WA 98188

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
COMMON STOCK ESPP (1)					1,772	D	
COMMON STOCK 401(K) (2)					391	I	ESOP TRUST
COMMON STOCK					7,448	D	
RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT (3)	02/11/2013		A(4)	1,350 A	\$ 0 3,510	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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 48.8	02/11/2013		A	2,790	02/11/2014 ⁽⁵⁾ 02/11/2023	COMMON STOCK

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ELIASEN MARK G 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188			VP/FINANCE & TREASURER	

Signatures

JEANNE E GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR MARK G. ELIASEN
 **Signature of Reporting Person
 Date: 02/13/2013

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) SHARES ACQUIRED UNDER THE ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. 2010 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN, AS OF 12/31/2012.
- (2) COMMON SHARES HELD IN THE ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2012.

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- (3) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER ALASKA AIR GROUP'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (4) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE EQUITY PLAN ON 02/11/2013 WILL CLIFF VEST ON 2/11/2016. THESE STOCK UNITS ARE SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (5) OPTIONS VEST IN 25% INCREMENTS OVER FOUR YEARS (2/11/14, 2/11/15, 2/11/16 AND 2/11/17)

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