FORM 4

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BERRY CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. [ ALK ]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title X Other (specify					ner		
(Last) 19300 INTE	(First)	•	iddle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2018										респу						
(Street) SEATTLE (City)	WA (State	e) (Zi				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Line) X	'					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Trans	2. Transaction		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		<u>,                                    </u>	3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			r 5. Amount of		ly	Form:	Direct Indirect I	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
										Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Pric		Transactio				(Instr. 4)	
COMMON STOCK <sup>(1)</sup>			02/28	3/2018				_	A <sup>(2)</sup>	V	43	A \$54.825		1.825	1,713			D			
COMMON STOCK <sup>(1)</sup>			03/07	7/2018					M <sup>(3)</sup>		416	A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	2,129		D				
COMMON STOCK <sup>(1)</sup> 03			03/07	7/2018					F <sup>(5)</sup>		102	D	\$	64	2,0	27		D			
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Derivative Conversion Date Execution Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, Transaction			on of E		Exp	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbo derivativ Securitie Beneficia Owned Followin Reported Transact (Instr. 4)	e es ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	te ercisabl		Expiration Date	Title	or	ount nber ıres						
RESTRICTED STOCK	\$0	03/07/2018			M			416	03/0	07/2018	(4)	03/07/2027	COMMON STOCK	4	16	\$0	834	1	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. TOTAL HELD IN COLUMN 5 INCLUDES 740 UNVESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS GRANTED ON 2/9/2016 UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN.
- 2. THESE SHARES WERE ACQUIRED UNDER THE ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN IN TRANSACTIONS THAT WERE EXEMPT UNDER BOTH RULE 16b-3(d) and RULE 16b-3(c).
- 3. RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS CONVERT INTO COMMON STOCK ON A ONE-FOR-ONE BASIS.
- 4. REMAINING RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS SCHEDULED TO VEST AS FOLLOWS: 417 ON 3/7/2019 AND 417 ON 3/7/2020.
- 5. PRICE PROVIDED IN COLUMN 4 REPRESENTS THE FMV OF ALK SHARES ON THE DATE SHARES WERE FORFEITED FOR TAXES.

/S/ JEANNE E GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL BERRY

03/08/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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