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Stockholder Meeting Notice

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Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Alaska Air Group, Inc. Stockholders Meeting to be held on May 21, 2013

Under new Securities and Exchange Commission rules, you are receiving this notice that the proxy materials for the annual stockholders meeting are available on the Internet. Follow the instructions below to view the materials and vote online or request a copy. The items to be voted on and location of the annual meeting are on the reverse side. Your vote is important!

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Alaska Air Group's Stockholder Meeting Notice

Alaska Air Group's Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on May 21, 2013, at the Bell Harbor International Conference Center, 2211 Alaskan Way, Pier 66, Seattle, Washington, at 2 p.m., Pacific Time.

Proposals to be voted on at the meeting are listed below along with the Board of Directors' recommendations.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR all the nominees listed, a vote FOR Proposals 2 and 3, and a vote AGAINST Proposal 4.

- 1. Election of Directors:
 - 01. William S. Ayer 06. R. Marc Langland
- 02. Patricia M. Bedient 07. Dennis F. Madsen
- 03. Marion C. Blakey 08. Byron I. Mallott
- 04. Phyllis J. Campbell09. J. Kenneth Thompson
- 05. Jessie J. Knight, Jr. 10. Bradley D. Tilden

- 11. Eric K. Yeaman
- 2. Ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered accountants for the Fiscal Year 2013.
- 3. Advisory vote to approve the compensation of the Company's Named Executive Officers.
- 4. Stockholder proposal regarding limiting acceleration of equity in connection with a change in control.

PLEASE NOTE – YOU CANNOT VOTE BY RETURNING THIS NOTICE. To vote your shares you must vote online or request a paper copy of the proxy materials to receive a proxy card. If you wish to attend and vote at the meeting, please bring this notice with you. Employees who hold shares in one of the Company's 401(k) plans may not vote these shares in person at the meeting.

Directions to the Alaska Air Group, Inc. 2013 Annual Stockholders Meeting

The Bell Harbor International Conference Center is located in downtown Seattle along the waterfront at Pier 66. Parking is available across the street in the Art Institute of Seattle parking garage. From the parking garage, walk across the skybridge and take the elevator to the 3° floor of the Bell Harbor International Conference Center.

Directions from Interstate 5 North and South

From Interstate 5, take Exit 167 (Mercer Street/Seattle Center), merge onto Mercer Street, continue onto Broad Street, turn left onto Elliott Avenue, pass the Wall Street intersection and enter the Art Institute of Seattle parking garage on your immediate right (2323 Elliott Ave).

Directions from Interstate-90 West

Take exit 2C for Interstate 5 North, take exit for Madison Street/Convention Place, take 1st left onto Madison Street, turn right onto Alaskan Way, turn right onto Wall Street, take 1st right onto Elliott Avenue, take immediate right into the Art Institute of Seattle parking garage (2323 Elliott Ave).



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