FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KNIGHT JESSIE J JR						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALASKA AIR GROUP INC [ ALK ]									eck all	ship of Reportii applicable) irector	• ( )	to Issuer 6 Owner
(Last)	(Fire	,	(Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/13/2007									fficer (give title elow)		er (specify ow)
ALASKA AIR GROUP INC 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD					4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicabl Line)			
(Street) SEATTL	E WA	A 9	8188												F	orm filed by One orm filed by Mor erson		
(City)	(Sta	ate) (Z	Zip)															
		Table	e I - N	lon-Deriv	ative S	Secu	ıritie	s Acc	uired,	Disp	osed of	f, or	Bene	ficia	lly Ov	ned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day/				//Year)	Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)						Se Be Ov	Amount of curities neficially ned llowing	6. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
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COMMON STOCK 06/13/20					007			<b>J</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		1,131		Α	\$26.	51	4,252	D		
	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)	tive Conversion Date ty or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Code (In	ransaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		str.	8. Price of Derivati Security (Instr. 5	Beneficially	Ownersh Form: Direct (E or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. GRANT OF SHARES IN PAYMENT OF BOARD ANNUAL RETAINER UNDER A PLAN EXEMPT UNDER 16b-3(d).

KAREN A. GRUEN, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT 06/15/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. SECTION 16 (a) FILINGS

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Alaska Air Group, Inc. General Counsel and Corporate Secretary Keith Loveless, Alaska Air Group, Inc. Assistant Corporate Secretary and Associate General Counsel Karen A. Gruen and Alaska Airlines, Inc, Manager, Corporate Affairs Jeanne E. Gammon, or either of them signing singly, and with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Alaska Air Group, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys—in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of 24th day of January, 2007.

Signed: /Jessie J. Knight, Jr./ Jessie J. Knight, Jr.

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