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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PEDERSEN BRANDON (Last) (First) (Middle) 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD (Street) SEATTLE WA 98188 (City) (State) (Zip)	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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) EXEC VP/FINANCE & CFO
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/17/2015	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT (1)								16,810	D	
COMMON STOCK	03/17/2015		M ⁽²⁾		2,444	A	\$ 38.755	26,568	D	
COMMON STOCK	03/17/2015		S ⁽²⁾		2,444	D	\$ 68.94	24,124	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)	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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 38.755	03/17/2015		M ⁽²⁾			2,444	02/11/2015	02/11/2024	COMMON STOCK	2,444	\$ 0	7,336	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
2. SAME-DAY EXERCISE OF OPTIONS AND SALE EFFECTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b5-1 TRADING PLAN ADOPTED BY MR. PEDERSEN ON 2/20/15.

/S/ JEANNE E. GAMMON,
ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR 03/18/2015
BRANDON S. PEDERSEN

** 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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