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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] PINNEO JEFFREY D						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				
						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2005									х	Director Officer (give title		Other	(specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 19300 INTERNATIONAL BOULEVARD SOUTH				08/0											belov Pres	,	below EO Horizon A	,	
						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
(Street)															Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
SEATTLE WA 98188			8	_										Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(S	State) (Zip)													Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day/Y					Year) i	Execution Date,			3. Transac Code (Ir 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				4 and Secur Bene Owne		icially d	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price		Price		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 08/01/200					005	15			M ⁽¹⁾		1,400	A		\$ <mark>2</mark> 1	21.5		6,270	D	
Common Stock 08/01/200					005)5			M ⁽¹⁾		4,000	A \$1		\$1 <u>8</u> .	76	10,270		D	
Common Stock 08/01/200					005)5		S ⁽¹⁾		5,400	I	\$	\$35.3	35.3011		4,870	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		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		isable and ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number o derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	umber					
Stock Option	\$21.5	08/01/2005			M ⁽¹⁾			1,400	08/26/19	97	08/26/2006	commo stock	ⁿ 1,	,400	\$0	.00	0	D	
Stock Option	\$18.76	08/01/2005			M ⁽¹⁾			4,000	02/11/20	004	02/11/2013	commo stock	ⁿ 4,	,000	\$0	.00	5,999	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Same-day exercise and sale of employee stock options covered by an S-8 registration statement.

Remarks:

Shannon K. Alberts for Jeffrey 08/01/2005

D. Pinneo, Attorney-in-fact

** 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).

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