

ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
TILDEN BRADLEY 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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/07/2016

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND CEO

SEATTLE, WA 98188

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
COMMON STOCK 401(K) (1)				(A)	15,473	I	ESOP TRUST
RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT (2)				(D)	23,900	D	
COMMON STOCK				(A)	18,405	I	GRAT
COMMON STOCK	12/07/2016		M	10,520 A	\$ 0 141,977	D	
	12/07/2016		F		D 139,698	D	

COMMON STOCK					2,279	\$		
					<u>(3)</u>	87.67		
COMMON STOCK	12/08/2016		G V	14,000	D	\$ 0	125,698	D

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

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 19	12/07/2016		M	10,520	02/14/2013 02/14/2022	COMMON STOCK

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer
TILDEN BRADLEY D 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188			CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND CEO

Signatures

/S/ JEANNE E. GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR BRADLEY D. TILDEN
 **Signature of Reporting Person
 Date 12/09/2016

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1)

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COMMON SHARES HELD IN THE ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST, AS OF 12/31/15.

(2) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.

(3) THE PRICE REPORTED IN COLUMN 4 IS THE CLOSING PRICE OF ALK STOCK ON THE TRANSACTION DATE.

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