MINICUCCI BENITO

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** MINICUCCI BENITO			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. [ALK]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD		L BLVD	12/31/2012	EVP/OPS & COO			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
SEATTLE, W	/A 98188		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		reison			

(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table I -	Non-Deriv	ative Secu	rities	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	on(A) or Di	n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) S E (A)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4) 25,600	D	
COMMON STOCK	12/31/2012		A(2)	21,200	A	\$ 0	37,432	D	
COMMON STOCK	12/31/2012		F(3)	7,728	D	\$ 42.73	29,704	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Exercisable	Date		Number		
				C + V	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MINICUCCI BENITO 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188

EVP/OPS & COO

Signatures

/s/ Jeanne Gammon Attorney-in-Fact for Benito Minicucci

01/03/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- COMMON SHARES ISSUED UPON ATTAINING PERFORMANCE GOALS SET FOR A THREE-YEAR PERIOD ENDING (2) 12/31/12 WITHIN THE TERMS OF A PERFORMANCE STOCK UNIT AWARD GRANTED ON 2/3/10 UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN.
- COMMON SHARES FORFEITED TO COVER PAYROLL TAXES UPON VESTING OF PERFORMANCE STOCK UNITS ON **(3)** 12/31/12.

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