ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.

Form 4

February 16, 2016

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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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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HARRISON ANDREW R | | | 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 | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify | | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2016 | below) below) EVP & CRO | | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| SEATTLE, V | VA 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) | Toble I Non Derivative Securities Ac | anirad Disposed of or Ronoficially Owner | | | |

| (City) | (State) (Zip) | Table I - | Non-Deriv | ative Secu | ırities | Acquired | d, Disposed of, or | r Beneficially | Owned |
|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3, | ispose 4 and (A) or | ed of (D) | 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 | 02/11/2016 | | A(1) | 2,700 | A | \$ 0 | 13,896 | D | |
| RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT | 02/11/2016 | | J(2) | 2,700 | D | \$ 0 | 9,220 | D | |
| COMMON STOCK | 02/11/2016 | | F(3) | 765 | D | \$ 66.94 | 13,131 | 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 | /. Tit. | le and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------------|-------------|---------|------------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | ınt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Unde | rlying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Secur | rities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | ; | | (Instr | . 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
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| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | Title | Number | | |
| | | | | C 1 W | (A) (D) | | | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HARRISON ANDREW R 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188

EVP & CRO

Signatures

/S/ JEANNE E GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR ANDREW R. HARRISON

02/16/2016

**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) COMMON SHARES ACQUIRED UPON VESTING OF RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS ON 02/11/2016.
- (2) RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS VESTING ON 02/11/2016.
- (3) COMMON SHARES FORFEITED TO COVER PAYROLL TAXES UPON VESTING OF PERFORMANCE STOCK UNITS ON 02/11/2016. AMOUNT PROVIDED IN COLUMN 4 REPRESENTS THE FMV OF THE SHARES ON THE DATE OF FORFEITURE.

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