ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MINICUCCI BENITO | | | 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) 19300 INTER | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2014 | Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP/OPS & COO | | |
| | (Street) | | 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 | | |
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| (City) | (State) (Zip) | Table I - | Non-Deriv | ative Seco | urities | Acquire | d, Disposed of, o | r Beneficially | Owned |
|--|------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) RESTRICTED | (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Secur or(A) or D (Instr. 3, | Oispose, 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) |
| STOCK UNIT | | | | | | | 15,050 | D | |
| COMMON STOCK | 02/25/2014 | | M | 820 | A | \$ 38 | 38,368 | D | |
| COMMON STOCK | 02/25/2014 | | A | 2,630 | A | \$ 38 | 40,998 | D | |
| COMMON STOCK | 02/25/2014 | | S | 3,572 (2) | D | \$ 84.89 | 37,426 | D | |
| COMMON STOCK | 02/25/2014 | | S | 4,248 (3) | D | \$ 85.87 | 33,178 | D | |

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COMMON STOCK 92/25/2014 F 1,174 D \$ 32,004 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number conf 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am or Nur of Sha |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY) | \$ 38 | 02/25/2014 | | M | 820 | 02/14/2013 | 02/14/2022 | COMMON STOCK | 8 |
| EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY) | \$ 38 | 02/25/2014 | | M | 2,630 | 02/14/2013 | 02/14/2022 | COMMON STOCK | 2,0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Kelationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |

MINICUCCI BENITO

19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD EVP/OPS & COO

SEATTLE, WA 98188

Signatures

/S/ JEANNE E. GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR BENITO
MINICUCCI
02/27/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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.
 - THE PRICE REPORTED IN COLUMN 4 IS A WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE. THESE SHARES SOLD IN MULTIPLE TRANSACTIONS AT PRICES RANGING FROM \$84.39 TO \$85.31, INCLUSIVE. THE REPORTING PERSON UNDERTAKES TO
- (2) PROVIDE TO ALASKA AIR GROUP, ANY SECURITY HOLDER OF ALASKA AIR GROUP, OR THE STAFF OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, UPON REQUEST, FULL INFORMATION REGARDING THE NUMBER OF SHARES SOLD AT EACH SEPARATE PRICE WITHIN THE RANGES SET FORTH IN THIS FOOTNOTE.
 - THE PRICE REPORTED IN COLUMN 4 IS A WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE. THESE SHARES SOLD IN MULTIPLE TRANSACTIONS AT PRICES RANGING FROM \$85.42 TO \$86.40, INCLUSIVE. THE REPORTING PERSON UNDERTAKES TO
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