

PELLETIER LIANE J  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
PELLETIER LIANE J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS GROUP INC [ALSK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
CEO and President

C/O ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS, 600 TELEPHONE AVE

(Street)

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

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

ANCHORAGE, AK 99503

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| common stock, \$.01 par value   | 12/31/2008                           |  | M                              | 2,986 A   | \$ 0  | 270,344.54 <sup>(1)</sup>                                | D                                 |
| common stock, \$.01 par value   | 12/31/2008                           |  | F                              | 1,089 D   | \$ 9.38   | 269,255.54   | 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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|--------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date                          | Title        |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0   | 12/31/2008                           |  | M                              |   | 12/31/2008 <sup>(2)</sup>                                | <sup>(2)</sup>                           | Common stock |
| Stock Settled Stock Appreciation Rights    | \$ 9.34  | 01/02/2009                           |  | A                              | 500,000 <sup>(3)</sup>  | 04/01/2010 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 01/01/2014                               | Common Stock |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| PELLETIER LIANE J<br>C/O ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS<br>600 TELEPHONE AVE<br>ANCHORAGE, AK 99503 | X             |           | CEO and President |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Leonard Steinberg for Liane J. Pelletier  
Date: 01/05/2009

\*\*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) Includes 1,757.54 shares purchased through the Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. 1999 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Includes 2,986 shares vested as of 12/31/2008 pursuant to a time vesting restricted stock agreement.
- (3) Each SAR consists of the right to receive an amount, in common stock, equal to excess of the fair market value of a share of common stock on the date of exercise over the exercise price of the SAR. The SARs vest 50% on April 1, 2010 and 50% on April 1, 2011.

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