LOVELESS KEITH

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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 Name and Address of Departing De

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person LOVELESS KEITH (Last) (First) (Middle) 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD (Street) SEATTLE, WA 98188 | | | Symbol | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALASKA AIR GROUP INC [ALK] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2011 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|----|---|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|--|--|---|--|--|
| | | | (Month/Day/Y | | | | | (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP/LEGAL & GENERAL COUNSEL | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | 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 | | | | | | | | | | Owned | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transact (Month/Da | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3, | ispose 4 and (A) or | d 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 ESPP | | | | | | | | 742 | I | ESOP TRUST | | |
| RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT | | | | | | | | 13,560 | D | | | |
| COMMON STOCK | 05/10/20 | 11 | | S(3) | 2,424 | D | \$ 68.9 | 4,130 | D | | | |
| COMMON STOCK | 05/11/20 | 11 | | S(4) | 379 | D | \$ 68.83 | 3,751 | D | | | |
| | 05/11/20 | 11 | | S(5) | 2,137 | D | | 1,614 | D | | | |

COMMON \$ STOCK 68.892

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. ionNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|--------------------|---|--|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (HISU. 3, 4, and 5) | | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LOVELESS KEITH 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188

VP/LEGAL & GENERAL COUNSEL

Signatures

/s/ Jeanne Gammon Attorney-in-Fact for Keith Loveless

05/11/2011

**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) SHARES ACQUIRED UNDER THE ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010.
- (2) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; NOT YET VESTED BUT NO LONGER SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.

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- (3) SALE OF SHARE ACQUIRED UPON EXERCISE OF INCENTIVE STOCK OPTIONS ON 02/01/2010.
- (4) SALE OF SHARES EFFECTED PURSUANT TO A 10b5-1 TRADING PLAN ADOPTED BY MR. LOVELESS ON 12/02/2010.
- (5) SALE OF SHARES EFFECTED PURSUANT TO A 10b5-1 TRADING PLAN ADOPTED BY MR. LOVELESS ON 12/02/2010.

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