ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ELIASEN MARK G			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				
19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD		L BLVD	02/21/2017	below) below) VP/FINANCE & TREASURER				
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
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(City)	(State) (2	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	4. Securor(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial			
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)			
COMMON STOCK 401(K) (1)							783	I	ESOP TRUST			
COMMON STOCK (2)	02/21/2017		S	1,723	D	\$ 96.281	4,794	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	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

ELIASEN MARK G 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188

VP/FINANCE & TREASURER

Signatures

/S/ JEANNE E GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR MARK G. **ELIASEN**

02/22/2017

**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).
- COMMON SHARES HELD IN THE ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST, AS OF **(1)** 12/31/16.
- INCLUDES 3,214 SHARES ACQUIRED UNDER THE ISSUER'S EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN, AS WELL AS 910 AND (2) 670 UNVESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS GRANTED ON 2/10/2015 AND 2/9/2016, RESPECTIVELY, UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN.

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