ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.

Form 4

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1(b).

STOCK

(2)

RESTRICTED

STOCK UNIT

COMMON

STOCK

02/11/2017

02/11/2017

(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)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				_	Director Officer (give title	10% Owner title Other (specify			
19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD			(Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2017				belo	below) PRES & COO				
	4. If Amendme	Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person						
	Filed(Month/Da											
SEATTLE, WA 98188							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - 1	Non-Deriv	ative Secu	rities .	Acquire	d, Disposed of, or	r Beneficially	Owned		
1.Title of Security	2. Transactio			3.	4. Securit		-	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature		
(Instr. 3)	` '		Execution Date, if any	Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				Securities Beneficially		of Indirect Beneficial		
		-	onth/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			<i>3)</i>	Owned	Direct (D) Ow or Indirect (In	Ownership		
								Following		(Instr. 4)		
						(A)		Reported Transaction(s)	(I) (Instr. 4)			
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
COMMON STOCK	02/11/2017	7		A(1)	6,440	A	\$0	64,765	D			

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6,440

2,317

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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12,690

62,448

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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. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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						Exercisable	Date	Title Numb	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MINICUCCI BENITO 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD

PRES & COO

SEATTLE, WA 98188

Signatures

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

02/14/2017

**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).
- (1) COMMON SHARES ACQUIRED UPON VESTING OF RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN.
- (2) RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER THE ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (3) COMMON SHARES FORFEITED TO COVER PAYROLL TAXES UPON VESTING OF RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS.
- (4) PRICE PROVIDED IN COLUMN 4 REPRESENTS THE FMV OF THE SHARES ON THE DATE OF FORFEITURE.

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