

TILDEN BRADLEY D  
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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 \*  
**TILDEN BRADLEY D**

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)  
 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/30/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**PRESIDENT/ALASKA AIRLINES**

SEATTLE, WA 98188

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

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
COMMON STOCK 401(K) <sup>(1)</sup>					3,694 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	ESOP TRUST
COMMON STOCK	01/30/2012		A <sup>(3)</sup>	19,744 A	\$ 0 46,195	D	
RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT	01/30/2012		J <sup>(4)</sup>	19,744 D	\$ 0 14,000	D	
COMMON STOCK	01/30/2012		F <sup>(5)</sup>	5,944 D	\$ 74.56 40,251	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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TILDEN BRADLEY D 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188			PRESIDENT/ALASKA AIRLINES	

## Signatures

/s/ Jeanne Gammon Attorney-in-Fact for Bradley D. Tilden  
Date: 02/01/2012

\_\_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 HELD IN THE ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2011.
- (2) DURING 2011, MR. TILDEN ACQUIRED 118 ALK SHARES IN AN ALASKA AIR GROUP EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(k) PLAN TRUST. THE INFORMATION IN THIS REPORT IS BASED ON A PLAN STATEMENT DATED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2011
- (3) COMMON STOCK ISSUED UPON VESTING OF RSUs ON JANUARY 30, 2012.
- (4) STOCK UNITS FULLY VESTED AND ISSUED ON JANUARY 30, 2012.
- (5) STOCK UNITS WITHHELD TO COVER PAYROLL TAXES UPON VESTING OF RSUs ON JANUARY 30, 2012.

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