

ALASKA AIR GROUP INC

Form 4

February 11, 2008

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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*See Instruction*  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**PEDERSEN BRANDON**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ALASKA AIRLINES INC, 19300  
INTERNATIONAL BLVD**

(Street)

**SEATTLE, WA 98188**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

**ALASKA AIR GROUP INC [ALK]**

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

**02/08/2008**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

**VP FINANCE & CONTROLLER**

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

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| COMMON<br>STOCK <u>(1)</u>            | 02/08/2008                              |                                                             | A                                    | 2,010                                                                      | A \$ 0 6,770                                                                                                       | D                                                                    |                                         |
| COMMON<br>STOCK <u>(2)</u>            |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                            | 1,243                                                                                                              | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| EMPLOYEE<br>STOCK<br>OPTION<br>(RIGHT TO<br>BUY)    | \$ 27.49                                                              | 02/08/2008                              |                                                             | A <sup>(3)</sup>                        | 7,200                                                                                                           | 02/08/2009 02/08/2018                                          | COMMON<br>STOCK 7,200                                            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                           | Relationships                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                                          | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| PEDERSEN BRANDON<br>ALASKA AIRLINES INC<br>19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD<br>SEATTLE, WA 98188 | VP FINANCE & CONTROLLER          |

## Signatures

KAREN A. GRUEN FOR BRANDON S.  
PEDERSEN 02/11/2008

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) RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS GRANTED UNDER 2004 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE EQUITY PLAN ON FEBRUARY 8, 2008. UNITS WILL "CLIFF" VEST ON FEBRUARY 8, 2010, SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (2) RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS FULLY VESTED AND ISSUED; NO LONGER SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (3) GRANT OF NONQUALIFIED STOCK OPTIONS UNDER THE ALASKA AIR GROUP 2004 LONG-TERM INCENTIVE EQUITY PLAN. THIS GRANT WILL VEST 25% EACH YEAR FOR FOUR YEARS BEGINNING ON FEBRUARY 8, 2008.

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