

HARRISON ANDREW R  
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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 \*  
 HARRISON ANDREW R

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 (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/27/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP/PLNG & REV MGMT

C/O ALASKA AIRLINES, INC., 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD

(Street)

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

SEATTLE, WA 98188

(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				(A)	2,308 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT <sup>(2)</sup>				(A)	6,820 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
COMMON STOCK	07/27/2012		M	<u>2,500</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	A \$ 9.905 4,808	D	
COMMON STOCK	07/27/2012		M	<u>1,050</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	A \$ 30.65 5,858	D	

COMMON STOCK 07/27/2012 S 3,550 D \$ 34.4322 2,308 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)
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 9.905	07/27/2012		M	2,500	04/25/2009 04/25/2018	COMMON STOCK 2,500
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 30.65	07/27/2012		M	1,050	02/07/2012 02/07/2021	COMMON STOCK 1,050

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARRISON ANDREW R C/O ALASKA AIRLINES, INC. 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188			VP/PLNG & REV MGMT	

## Signatures

JEANNE E GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR ANDREW R. HARRISON 07/30/2012

          \*\*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) ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. (ALK) COMMON STOCK WAS SPLIT IN A TWO-FOR-ONE TRANSACTION ON MARCH 16, 2012. SHARES AND PRICES HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE SPLIT.
- (2) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER ALASKA AIR GROUP'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.

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