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Alaska Air Group s Stockholder Meeting Notice

Alaska Air Group s Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held at William M. Allen Theater at the Museum of Flight, in Seattle, Washington at 3 p.m. Pacific Time on Thursday, May 7, 2015.

Proposals to be voted on at the meeting are listed below along with the Board of Directors recommendations.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote <u>FOR</u> all the nominees listed, a vote <u>FOR</u> Proposals 2 and 3 and a vote <u>AGAINST</u> Proposal 4.

1. Election of Directors:

01. Patricia M. Bedient 02. Marion C. Blakey 03. Phyllis J. Campbell 04. Dhiren R. Fonseca 05. Jessie J. Knight, Jr.
06. Dennis F. Madsen 07. Helvi K. Sandvik 08. Katherine J. Savitt 09. J. Kenneth Thompson 10. Bradley D. Tilden 11. Eric K. Yeaman

- 2. Ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company s independent registered public accountants for the fiscal year 2015.
- 3. Advisory vote to approve the compensation of the Company s Named Executive Officers.
- 4. Stockholder proposal regarding an independent board chairman policy.

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#### Location of the Alaska Air Group, Inc. 2015 Annual Stockholders Meeting

William M. Allen Theater at the Museum of Flight, 9404 East Marginal Way South, Seattle, Washington

#### Admission ticket and photo identification required.

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