ELIASEN MARK G

Form 4

September 19, 2012

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(Print or Type Resp	onses)									
1. Name and Addre ELIASEN MAI	Symbol	Symbol Issu ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.				Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to uer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) C/O ALASKA INC., 19300 IN BLVD	(First) (Middle) AIRLINES, TERNATIONAL		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/14/2012				Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP/FINANCE & TREASURER			
SEATTLE, WA	ay/Year) App				Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check plicable Line) _ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting son					
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table I - 1	Non-Deriv	ative Secu	rities A	Acquire	d, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	isposed 4 and 5 (A) or	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
COMMON STOCK ESPP							1,092 (2)	D		
COMMON STOCK 401(K) (3)							266 <u>(2)</u>	I	ESOP TRUST	
COMMON STOCK	09/14/2012		A(4)	5,708	A	\$ 0	5,708	D		

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STOCK UNIT

COMMON STOCK

09/14/2012

$$F_{\underline{(6)}} \qquad \begin{array}{c} 1,518 \\ \underline{(7)} \end{array}$$

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

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8. Price of

Derivative

Security

(Instr. 5)

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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	isable and	7. Titl	le and
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Deri		Derivative	e	Securi	ities	
	Derivative			Securities Acquired				(Instr.	3 and 4)
	Security								
	•				(A) or				
					Disposed				
					of (D)				
					(Instr. 3,				
					4, and 5)				
									Amount
						Date	Expiration		or
						Exercisable Dat		Title	Number
									of

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Code V (A) (D)

ELIASEN MARK G C/O ALASKA AIRLINES, INC. 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188

VP/FINANCE & TREASURER

Signatures

JEANNE E GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR MARK G. ELIASEN

09/19/2012

**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 ACQUIRED UNDER THE ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. 2010 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN, AS OF MARCH 6, 2012.

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- (2) 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.
- (3) SHARES HELD IN THE ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST AS OF MARCH 6, 2012.
- (4) COMMON SHARES ACQUIRED UPON VESTING OF RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS ON 9/14/12.
- (5) RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS FULLY VESTED AND ISSUABLE AS ALASKA AIR GROUP COMMON STOCK EFFECTIVE 9/14/2012.
- (6) RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS WITHHELD TO COVER PAYROLL TAXES UPON VESTING OF THE UNITS ON 9/14/12.
- (7) PRICE IS THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE UNDERLYING COMMON STOCK ON THE VEST DATE; SHARES WERE NOT SOLD ON THE OPEN MARKET.

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