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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person _ LEVINE KYLE B			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. [ALK]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/08/2016	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
19300 INTE	ERNATIO	NAL						
BLVD				(Check all applicable)				
	(Street)					0	6. Individual or Joint/Group	
SEATTLE, WA 98188				Director 10% Owner Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) VP LEGAL			Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One	
							Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owner (Instr.		
RESTRICT	ED STOC	K UNIT <u>(1)</u>	7,170		D	Â		
Reminder: Rep owned directly	-		ach class of securities benefic	ially S	EC 1473 (7-02	.)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Title	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	

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		Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	02/10/2016(2)	02/10/2025	COMMON STOCK	1,570	\$ 65.37	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEVINE KYLE B 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188	Â	Â	VP LEGAL	Â
Signatures				
JEANNE E. GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR KYLE B.				

LEVINE

**Signature of Reporting Person

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Date

- (1) STOCK UNITS AWARDED UNDER ALASKA AIR GROUP'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN; SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE.
- (2) OPTIONS VEST IN 25% INCREMENTS OVER FOUR YEARS (02/10/2016, 02/10/2017, 02/10/2018, 02/10/2019).

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