

Carter Peter W
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Carter Peter W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 DELTA AIR LINES INC /DE/ [DAL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O DELTA AIR LINES, INC., P.O. BOX 20574, DEPT. 981
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/08/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP and Chief Legal Officer

ATLANTA, GA 30320

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

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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2018 | | A | | 18,420 (1) 80,532 | 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)

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| 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 49.33 | 02/08/2018 | | A | 39,900 | 02/08/2018 ⁽²⁾ 02/08/2027 | Common Stock | 39,900 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Carter Peter W C/O DELTA AIR LINES, INC. P.O. BOX 20574, DEPT. 981 ATLANTA, GA 30320 | | | EVP and Chief Legal Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Jan M. Davidson as attorney-in-fact for Peter W. Carter
02/09/2018

__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) The Personnel & Compensation Committee of Delta's Board of Directors (the "Committee") granted Mr. Carter 18,420 shares of restricted common stock under Delta's 2018 long-term incentive program. The shares will vest pursuant to the terms of the award agreement. This grant was approved by the Committee and is exempt from Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 under Rule 16b-3(d).
- On February 9, 2017, the Committee granted Mr. Carter an option to purchase 39,900 shares of common stock. The option vests based on Delta's satisfaction of certain performance criteria. Because the performance criteria were met, the option as to 13,300 shares vested, and
- (2) the option for the remaining 26,600 shares will vest in equal installments on February 1, 2019 and February 1, 2020. The performance criteria was certified by the Committee on February 8, 2018. This grant was approved by the Committee and is exempt from Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 under Rule 16b-3(d).

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