

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO  
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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 \*  
 CONOVER DONNA D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO  
 [LUV]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES  
 CO, 2702 LOVE FIELD DR PO  
 BOX 36611

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/31/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP-Customers

(Street)  
 DALLAS, TX 75235-1611

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

**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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 16.43	12/31/2005		A	532	12/31/2005	12/31/2015	Common Stock	532
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 16.43	12/31/2005		A	10,000	12/31/2005	12/31/2015	Common Stock	10,000
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 16.43	12/31/2005		A	10,000	12/31/2006	12/31/2015	Common Stock	10,000
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 16.43	12/31/2005		A	10,000	12/31/2007	12/31/2015	Common Stock	10,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CONOVER DONNA D C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO 2702 LOVE FIELD DR PO BOX 36611 DALLAS, TX 75235-1611				EVP-Customers

## Signatures

On behalf of and attorney-in-fact for Donna D. Conover /s/Deborah Ackerman

01/04/2006

\*\*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) Options granted under 1996 Incentive Stock Option Plan.

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