

FRONTIER AIRLINES INC /CO/  
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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 \*  
TATE PAUL H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FRONTIER AIRLINES INC /CO/  
[FRNT]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
7001 TOWER ROAD  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/01/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP & CFO

DENVER, CO 80249  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)                      | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable          | Expiration Date           | Title           |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Stock<br>Appreciation<br>Rights | \$ 10.05                           | 04/01/2005       | A          | 25,126   |      |   |     |     | 04/01/2006 <sup>(1)</sup> | 03/31/2015                | Common<br>Stock |
| Restricted<br>Stock Units       | \$ 0                               | 04/01/2005       | A          | 4,975  |      |   |     |     | 04/01/2010                | 01/01/2050 <sup>(3)</sup> | Common<br>Stock |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                     | Relationships |           |           |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer   | Other |
| TATE PAUL H<br>7001 TOWER ROAD<br>DENVER, CO 80249 |               |           | SVP & CFO |       |

## Signatures

David Sislowski, Attorney  
in Fact 04/14/2005

\_\_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 Stock Appreciation Rights become exercisable in five equal installments, with the first installment becoming exercisable on the first anniversary of the grant date, and each subsequent installment becoming exercisable on each of the next four anniversaries of the grant date.
  - (2) The actual number of shares of common stock that will be issued at the time of exercise will be based on the appreciation of the common stock from the strike price to the market price and the time of exercise and is unknown at this time.
  - (3) Once exercisable, there is no expiration date for the Restricted Stock Units. The date referenced has no relevance and was inserted solely because the Edgar system required a date to be inserted in order to process this filing.

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