AIRGATE PCS INC /DE/

Form 4

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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FERCHAT ROBERT A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

AIRGATE PCS INC /DE/ [PCSA]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

02/15/2005

10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

AIRGATE PCS, INC., 233

PEACHTREE STREET, NE, SUITE

1700

4. If Amendment, Date Original

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

(Street)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

ATLANTA, GA 30303

(State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

3.

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

D

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

<u>(1)</u>

Common Stock

02/15/2005

Code V Amount (D) 3,000

0

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transactic 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	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Non-qualified Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 44.65	02/15/2005		D	3,000	(3)	02/26/2012	Common Stock	3,000
Non-qualified Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 1.3	02/15/2005		D	1,500	<u>(5)</u>	03/04/2013	Common Stock	1,500
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	02/15/2005		D	628	<u>(7)</u>	(8)	Common Stock	628

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsnips					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FERCHAT ROBERT A						
AIRGATE PCS, INC.	X					
233 PEACHTREE STREET, NE, SUITE 1700	Λ					
ATLANTA, GA 30303						

Signatures

/s/ Robert A.
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**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) Disposed of pursuant to merger agreement between issuer, Alamosa Holdings, Inc. and A-Co. Merger Sub, Inc. in exchange for \$36.62 per share of AirGate common stock.
- (2) These Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted on February 26, 2002 pursuant to the AirGate PCS, Inc. Amended and Restated 2002 Long Term Incentive Plan (the "2002 LTIP) and the AirGate PCS, Inc. 2001 Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan.

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- These options provided for vesting in the amount of 100% of the total grant on the first anniversary of the grant date. The options were cancelled in the merger between the issuer and A-Co. Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Alamosa Holdings, Inc., for no consideration.
- (4) These Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted on March 4, 2003 pursuant to the 2002 LTIP and the AirGate PCS, Inc. Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan.
 - These options provided for vesting in the amount of 100% of the total grant on the first anniversary of the grant date. The options were cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$52,980.00, representing the number of shares subject to the option times the
- difference between the exercise price of the option and the average closing price of Alamosa common stock for the ten trading days prior to the merger multiplied by 2.87 (\$36.62 per share).
- (6) Convertible into the issuer's common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
 - These Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") were scheduled to vest on April 8, 2005, subject certain conditions as detailed in the AirGate PCS, Inc. Director Compensation Plan. On February 7, 2005, the Company's board of directors approved the full acceleration of vesting
- (7) of these RSUs, effective immediately prior to the closing of the merger on February 15, 2005. The RSUs were cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$22,997.36, representing the number of RSUs times the average closing price of Alamosa common stock for the ten trading days prior to the merger multiplied by 2.87 (\$36.62 per share).
- (8) None.

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