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| (Print or Type | Responses) | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Address of Reportin | - | | r Name and Ticker or Trading | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
| ANDER50 | N RICHARD H | L | Symbol | | | | | Issuel | | | |
| | | | | A AIR LINES INC /DE/ | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| | | | [DAL] | | | | | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | | f Earliest Ti | ransaction | | | X Director X Officer (give | | Owner er (specify | |
| C/O DEI T | A AIR LINES, 1 | NC | (Month/L 10/29/2 | Day/Year) | | | | below) | below) | | |
| | , P.O. BOX 205 | | 10/29/2 | 000 | | | | Chief E | Executive Offic | er | |
| | (Street) | | 1 If Am | ndmant De | ta Original | | | 6 Individual on Ia | int/Casua Eilia | c/Charle | |
| | (Succi) | | | endment, Da nth/Day/Year | - | | | 6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) | Invoroup Finin | Ig(Check | |
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| ATLANTA | , GA 30320 | | | | | | | Form filed by M Person | ore than One Re | porting | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | le I - Non-I | Derivative Se | ecuriti | ies Acq | uired, Disposed of | , or Beneficial | ly Owned | |
| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Da | | | 3. | 4. Securitie | | | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | | |
| Security (Instr. 3) | (Month/Day/Year | | n Date, 1f | | on(A) or Disp (Instr 3 4) | | | | Form: Direct (D) or | | |
| (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year) | | | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) | | | | - | | Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | (A) | | Reported Transaction(s) | | | |
| | | | | Code V | A | or | Deter | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
| common | | | | Code V | Amount 760,000 | (D) | Price | | | | |
| stock | 10/29/2008 | | | А | (<u>1</u>) | А | <u>(1)</u> | 1,219,711 | 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)

| Der Sec | Fitle of rivative curity str. 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 orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|------------|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|--------------------------|
| | | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amoun Numbe Shares |
| Sto Op | nployee ock otion ight to yy) | \$ 7.99 | 10/29/2008 | | Α | 1,520,000 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/28/2018 | common stock | 1,520 |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1. 9 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| ANDERSON RICHARD H C/O DELTA AIR LINES, INC., DEPT. 981 P.O. BOX 20574 ATLANTA, GA 30320 | х | | Chief Executive Officer | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| Nanci Oliver Sloan as attorney-in-fact for Ric Anderson | 10/31/2008 | | | | | | |
| <u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person | | | Date | | | | |
| Explanation of Responses | s: | | | | | | |

* 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).

In connection with the merger between Nautilus Merger Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Delta, and Northwest Airlines Corporation, the Personnel & Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors granted merger awards consisting of restricted stock and stock options to Delta officers, including Mr. Anderson, in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(d). Subject to Mr. Anderson's

(1) continued employment, the restricted stock vests, and the stock options become exercisable, over a three year period as follows: with respect to 20% of the shares on each of May 1, 2009, November 1, 2009, and May 1, 2010, and with respect to the remaining 40% of the shares on November 1, 2011. The exercise price of the stock option is the closing price of the common stock on the NYSE on October 29, 2008.

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