

Bastian Edward H
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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 *
Bastian Edward H

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)
DELTA AIR LINES, INC., DEPT.
981, P.O. BOX 20574

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/30/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President and CEO NWA

ATLANTA,, GA 30320

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	(A) or (D)	Price
common stock	01/30/2009		A	(1)	181,160	A	728,222
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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bastian Edward H DELTA AIR LINES, INC., DEPT. 981 P.O. BOX 20574 ATLANTA,, GA 30320			President and CEO NWA	

Signatures

Nanci Oliver Sloan as attorney-in-fact for Edward H. Bastian 01/30/2009

__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 granted Mr. Bastian 181,160 shares of restricted common stock under Delta's 2009 long-term incentive program. Subject to the terms of the award, including Mr. Bastian's continued employment with Delta, the restrictions on the shares will lapse with respect to 50 percent of the shares on each of February 1, 2010 and 2011. Until the restrictions lapse, Mr. Bastian may not sell or transfer the shares, which will be subject to forfeiture in certain circumstances.
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