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(Print or Type	Responses)										
			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol DELTA AIR LINES INC /DE/				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			[DAL]	AIK LII	NES INC /	DE/		(Checl	k all applicable	2)	
(Last)				of Earliest Transaction Day/Year)				Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
	A AIR LINES, II , P.O. BOX 2057		10/29/2	-				below) EVP-HR	below) & Labor Relat	ions	
	(Street)			endment, D nth/Day/Yea	ate Original r)			6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by C	one Reporting Pe	rson	
ATLANTA	, GA 30320							Form filed by M Person	ore than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) s)			
common stock	10/29/2008			Code V F	Amount 60,116 (1)	(D) D	Price \$ 7.99	(Instr. 3 and 4) 81,497	D		
common stock	10/29/2008			А	86,780 (2)	А	<u>(2)</u>	168,277	D		
common stock	10/29/2008			F	36,839 ( <u>3)</u>	D	\$ 7.99	131,438	D		
common stock	10/29/2008			А	260,000 (4)	А	<u>(4)</u>	391,438	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)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration (Month/Da or D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount o Number o Shares	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.99	10/29/2008		A	520,000	<u>(4)</u>	10/28/2018	common stock	520,000	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CAMPBELL MICHAEL H C/O DELTA AIR LINES, INC., DEPT. 981 P.O. BOX 20574 ATLANTA, GA 30320			EVP-HR & Labor Relations	κ			
Signatures							
Nanci Oliver Sloan as attorney-in-fact for Micha Campbell	10/31/2008						
**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).

Represents shares withheld to pay tax withholding obligations to appropriate taxing authorities from the lapse of the restrictions on Reporting Person's restricted stock as a result of the merger between Nautilus Merger Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Delta,

- (1) and Northwest Airlines Corporation (the "Merger"). This withholding was approved by the Personnel & Compensation Committee of Delta's Board of Directors (the "Committee") and is exempt from Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 under Section 16b-3(d)(1) and Rule 16b-3(e).
- (2) Represents the settlement of performance shares as a result of the Merger. The grant of the performance shares was approved by the Committee and is exempt from Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 under Rule 16b-3(d).

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Represents the estimated number of shares withheld to pay tax withholding obligations to appropriate taxing authorities from the settlement of the performance shares earned effective October 29, 2008. This withholding was approved by the Committee and is exempt from Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 under Rules 16b-3(d)(1) and 16b-3(e).

In connection with the Merger, the Committee granted merger awards consisting of restricted stock and stock options to Delta officers, including the Reporting Person, in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(d). Subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment,

(4) 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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