

Gardner Pamela J  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol                                |  |
| Â Gardner Pamela J                        |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | FRONTIER AIRLINES INC /CO/ [FRNT]  |  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)                             | 09/08/2005   |  |
| FRONTIER AIRLINES,Â 7001 TOWER ROAD       |         |                                      | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                           | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)   |  |
| DENVER,Â COÂ 80249                        |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner       | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
|   |         |                                      | (give title below) (specify below)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |
|   |         |                                      | VP Inflight Services   |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Restricted Stock Units          | 1,512 <sup>(1)</sup>                                  | D  | Â   |
| Common Stock                    | 3,162 <sup>(4)</sup>                                  | D  | Â   |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
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|                           | Date Exercisable          | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares | Derivative Security | Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |   |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---|---|
| Stock Options             | 07/10/1999 <sup>(2)</sup> | 07/10/2008      | Common Stock | 13,500                     | \$ 2.33             | D   | Â |
| Stock Options             | 06/23/2000 <sup>(2)</sup> | 06/23/2009      | Common Stock | 7,500                      | \$ 11.05            | D   | Â |
| Stock Options             | 02/05/2002 <sup>(2)</sup> | 02/05/2012      | Common Stock | 500                        | \$ 21.7             | D   | Â |
| Stock Options             | 08/14/2004 <sup>(2)</sup> | 08/14/2013      | Common Stock | 5,000                      | \$ 15.72            | D   | Â |
| Stock Options             | 03/01/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> | 03/01/2014      | Common Stock | 7,500                      | \$ 10.45            | D   | Â |
| Stock Appreciation Rights | 09/08/2006 <sup>(3)</sup> | 09/08/2015      | Common Stock | 5,409                      | \$ 10.47            | D   | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                        |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                | Other |
| Gardner Pamela J<br>FRONTIER AIRLINES<br>7001 TOWER ROAD<br>DENVER, CO 80249 | Â             | Â         | Â VP Inflight Services | Â     |

## Signatures

David Sislowksi, Attorney  
in Fact 09/14/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Granted 4/01/2005 and become exercisable in bulk on the fifth anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Options are fully vested.
- (3) Granted on date of promotion of 9/08/2005. Become exercisable in five equal installments on the first five anniversaries of the grant date.
- (4) These shares are held in trust for Ms. Gardner under the company Employee Stock Ownership Plan and are fully vested.

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