

WELCH JAMES L  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
WELCH JAMES L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ERICKSON AIR-CRANE  
INCORPORATED, 5550 SW  
MACADAM AVE, SUITE 200

(Street)

PORTLAND, OR 97239

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Erickson Air-Crane Inc [EAC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/17/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of Derivative	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8.
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	04/17/2012	A		1,216		<u>(2)</u>	12/31/2014	Common Stock	1,216

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WELCH JAMES L C/O ERICKSON AIR-CRANE INCORPORATED 5550 SW MACADAM AVE, SUITE 200 PORTLAND, OR 97239	X			

### Signatures

/s/ Edward Rizzuti, by power of attorney  
 04/17/2012  
 \*\*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).
- Grant of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") pursuant to the Erickson Air-Crane Incorporated 2012 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Each RSU is
- (1) payable (i) in one share of the Issuer's Common Stock, (ii) in the cash equivalent of one share of the Issuer's Common Stock, or (iii) in a combination of items (i) and (ii), upon or following the vesting of the award pursuant to the terms of the award agreement.
  - (2) The RSUs will vest in three equal portions on the last day of each of the Issuer's fiscal years 2012, 2013 and 2014, provided that Mr. Welch is still serving as of the applicable date.

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