

DELTA AIR LINES INC /DE/

Form SC TO-C

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO
Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

DELTA AIR LINES, INC.
(Name of Subject Company (Issuer) and Filing Person (Offeror))

Options to Purchase Common Stock, Par Value \$1.50 Per Share
(Title of Class of Securities underlying options)

247361108

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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Transaction valuation*	Amount of Filing Fee
Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Third-party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.

Issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.

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Amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer.

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Attached is an article appearing today in NewsDigest, a Delta publication for employees, regarding a proposed stock option exchange program (the Exchange Program).

The article does not constitute an offer to holders of options to purchase Delta Common Stock to exchange their options.

At the time the Exchange Program is commenced, Delta will provide to option holders who are eligible to participate in the Exchange Program written materials explaining the terms, conditions and timing of the Exchange Program. Persons who are eligible to participate in the Exchange Program should read these written materials carefully when they become available because they will contain important information about the Exchange Program. Delta will also post these written materials on its website, [www. delta.com](http://www.delta.com), and file the materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission as part of a tender offer statement. Delta shareowners and option holders will be able to obtain these written materials and other documents filed by Delta with the Securities and Exchange Commission free of charge from the Securities and Exchange Commission s website at www.sec.gov.

Item 12. Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
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