

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ORNSTEIN JONATHAN G</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>410 N. 44TH STREET, SUITE 700</u> (Street) <u>PHOENIX AZ 85008</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/09/2018</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MESA AIR GROUP INC [MESA]</u>	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chairman and CEO</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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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)
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>548,550</u>	<u>D</u>	

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 Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
<u>Restricted Stock Units</u>	<u>06/01/2018</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>45,808</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>Stock Appreciation Rights</u>	<u>01/21/2015⁽²⁾</u>	<u>01/20/2024</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>1.6</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>Stock Appreciation Rights</u>	<u>07/21/2016⁽³⁾</u>	<u>07/20/2025</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>6.8</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>Stock Appreciation Rights</u>	<u>01/19/2017⁽⁴⁾</u>	<u>01/18/2026</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>7.1</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>Restricted Stock Award</u>	<u>07/21/2016</u>	<u>(5)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>Restricted Stock Award</u>	<u>06/01/2017</u>	<u>(6)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>57,973</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>Restricted Stock Award</u>	<u>06/01/2018</u>	<u>(7)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>75,405</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>D</u>

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, on a one for one basis, common stock of the Company. The restricted stock shall vest annually in equal one-third increments beginning on June 1, 2018, until fully vested.
2. Cash-settled stock appreciation rights.
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4. Cash-settled stock appreciation rights of which 83,335 shares remain unvested.
5. The restricted stock award vests as follows: Annually in equal increments beginning on July 21, 2016, until fully vested.
6. The restricted stock award vests as follows: Annually in equal one-third increments beginning on June 1, 2017, until fully vested.
7. The restricted stock award vests as follows: Annually in equal one-third increments beginning on June 1, 2018, until fully vested.

Remarks:

/s/ Jonathan G. Ornstein 08/09/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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