#### SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO

Form 4 March 21, 2006

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* CONOVER DONNA D

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

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Issuer

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO

(Month/Day/Year)

03/17/2006

[LUV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner

X\_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify

C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO, 2702 LOVE FIELD DR PO

BOX 36611

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

DALLAS, TX 75235-1611

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.53	03/17/2006		A	10,000	12/31/2006	03/17/2016	Common Stock	10,000 (1)
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.53	03/17/2006		A	10,000	12/31/2007	03/17/2016	Common Stock	10,000 (1)
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.53	03/17/2006		A	5,174	12/31/2008	03/17/2016	Common Stock	5,174 (1)
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.53	03/17/2006		A	4,826	12/31/2008	03/17/2016	Common Stock	4,826 (1)

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CONOVER DONNA D C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO 2702 LOVE FIELD DR PO BOX 36611 DALLAS, TX 75235-1611

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## **Signatures**

On behalf of and attorney-in-fact-for Donna D. Conover /s/ Deborah Ackerman

03/21/2006

\*\*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).
- (1) Options granted from the 1996 ISO Plan.

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