#### CONTINENTAL AIRLINES INC /DE/

Form 4

January 08, 2008

## 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 * VOGEL JENNIFER L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CONTINENTAL AIRLINES INC /DE/ [CAL]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 1600 SMIT	, ,	(Middle)	_	Earliest Transaction ay/Year)				Director 10% Owner Selficient (give title Other (specify below) below)  SVP,Gen Counsel&ChiefComplOff.			
HOUSTON	(Street)			endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative :	Securi	ities Acqı	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	) Execution any	med in Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class B Common Stock	01/04/2008			M	40,000	A	(1)	45,532	D		
Class B Common Stock	01/04/2008			D	40,000	D	\$ 25.14 (2)	5,532	D		

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 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 orDerivative 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
Performance Rights	(1)	01/04/2008		M	40,000	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class B Common Stock	40,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VOGEL JENNIFER L 1600 SMITH HQSEO HOUSTON, TX 77002

SVP,Gen Counsel&ChiefComplOff.

## **Signatures**

/s/ Jennifer L. Vogel, By: Sarah E. Hagy

01/08/2008

\*\*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).

The Performance Rights were granted on April 9, 2004 for the performance period beginning April 1, 2004 and ending December 31, 2007. The Performance Rights vested on March 3, 2006, when the registrant's Class B Common Stock price averaged, over 20 consecutive days, at least the \$22.4775 per share target price set by the Human Resources Committee of the Board. The target price reflects an appreciation of 80% above the \$12.4775 market value per share (based on the preceding 20 day average price) at the beginning

- (1) of the performance period. However, the Performance Rights require continued employment through the end of the performance period so were not eligible to be settled until after the performance period ended and after receipt of the required certification by the registrant's Human Resources Committee, which was received on January 4, 2008. Each Performance Right was the economic equivalent of one share of Class B Common Stock. Two other awards of Performance Rights made in 2004 to Ms. Vogel, and previously reported by her, were voluntarily surrendered by her in connection with the registrant's 2005 pay and benefit cost reduction initiative.
  - Under the program pursuant to which the Performance Rights were issued, the Performance Rights are settled based on the simple average of the closing stock prices of the registrant's Class B Common Stock for the 20 trading days immediately preceding the last day
- (2) of the performance period (which ended December 31, 2007). As a result, the \$25.14 settlement price represents the simple average of the closing stock prices during the 20 trading days ending on and including December 28, 2007 (during which the closing stock prices varied from a low of \$21.82 per share to a high of \$28.28 per share).

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