

AIRGATE PCS INC /DE/
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
HOPPER MAX D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

AIRGATE PCS, INC., 233
PEACHTREE STREET, NE, SUITE
1700

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30303

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AIRGATE PCS INC /DE/ [PCSA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/15/2005

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)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

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. Pr
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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)	Secu (Inst			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/15/2005	D		1,000		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOPPER MAX D AIRGATE PCS, INC. 233 PEACHTREE STREET, NE, SUITE 1700 ATLANTA, GA 30303		X		

Signatures

/s/ Max D.
Hopper
Date: 02/15/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Convertible into the issuer's common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

These Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") were scheduled to vest on April 8, 2005, subject to certain conditions as detailed in the AirGate PCS, Inc. Director Compensation Plan. On February 7, 2005, the Company's board of directors approved the full acceleration of vesting of the RSUs, effective immediately prior to the closing of the merger on February 15, 2005 between the issuer and A-Co. Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Alamosa Holdings, Inc. The RSUs were cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$36,620.00, representing the number of RSUs times the average closing price of Alamosa common stock for the ten trading days prior to the merger multiplied by 2.87 (\$36.62 per share).
- (3) None.

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