

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO

Form 4

May 19, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KELLY GARY C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES
CO, P O BOX 36611**

(Street)

DALLAS, TX 75235

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
**SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO
[LUV]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/18/2006

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)
CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	05/18/2006		M		909	A	\$ 4.4	126,816 D
Common Stock	05/18/2006		M		8,564	A	\$ 4.3	135,380 D
Common Stock	05/18/2006		M		19,121	A	\$ 4.3	154,501 D
Common Stock								1,900 I as Trustee

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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)	\$ 4.4	05/18/2006		M		909 <u>(1)</u>		01/01/2001	01/01/2007	Common Stock	909
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.3	05/18/2006		M		8,564 <u>(2)</u>		01/24/2000	01/24/2007	Common Stock	8,564
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.3	05/18/2006		M		19,121 <u>(1)</u>		01/24/2000	01/24/2007	Common Stock	19,121

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KELLY GARY C C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO P O BOX 36611 DALLAS, TX 75235	X		CEO	

Signatures

On behalf of and attorney-in-fact for Gary C. Kelly /s/ Deborah
Ackerman

05/19/2006

 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 1991 NQ Plan.

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(2) Options granted from the 1991 ISO Plan.

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