AIRGATE PCS INC /DE/

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Loughman William J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AIRGATE PCS INC /DE/ [PCSA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

CFO

below)

Issuer

below)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/15/2005

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

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

(Street)

(State)

1700

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/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

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

ATLANTA, GA 30303

(City)

(Instr. 3)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

Reported

(A) Transaction(s) or (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)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)) A on (I (I	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	7 (A	A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Non-qualified Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 14.24	02/15/2005		D		2	22,500	(2)	08/11/2014	Common Stock	22,5
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	02/15/2005		D		1	15,000	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	15,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Loughman William J							
AIRGATE PCS, INC.			CEO				
233 PEACHTREE STREET, NE, SUITE 1700			CFO				
ATLANTA, GA 30303							

Signatures

/s/ William J.
Loughman
02/15/2005

**Signature of Reporting 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) These Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted on August 11, 2004 pursuant to the terms of the AirGate PCS, Inc. Amended and Restated 2002 Long Term Incentive Plan (the "2002 LTIP").
 - These options provided for vesting in the amount of 25% of the total grant on each anniversary of the grant date, beginning August 11, 2005. On February 7, 2005, the Company's board of directors approved the full acceleration of vesting of these options, 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
- (2) subsidiary of Alamosa Holdings, Inc. The options were cancelled pursuant to the merger agreement between the issuer, Alamosa Holdings, Inc. and A-Co. Merger Sub, Inc. in exchange for a cash payment of \$503,550.00, representing the number of shares subject to the option times the difference between the exercise price of the option and 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) Convertible into the issuer's common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (4) These Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") were scheduled to vest on August 11, 2007, subject to the achievement of certain performance objectives as detailed in the 2002 LTIP. On February 7, 2005, the Company's board of directors approved the full acceleration of vesting of these RSUs, effective immediately prior to the closing of the merger on February 15, 2005. The RSUs were cancelled in the merger in exchange for a cash payment of \$549,300.00, representing the number of RSUs times the average closing price of Alamosa common

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stock for the ten trading days prior to the merger multiplied by 2.87 (\$36.62 per share).

(5) None

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