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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Benken Richard</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS</u> <u>600 TELEPHONE AVENUE</u> _____ (Street) <u>ANCHORAGE AK 99503</u> _____ (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS GROUP INC [ ALSK ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP Network Strategy</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>06/17/2020</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

**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				

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Restricted Stock Units	\$0.00 <sup>(1)</sup>	06/17/2020		A		19,487		(2)	06/17/2030	Common Stock	19,487	\$0.00	19,487	D	
Performance Stock Units	\$0.00 <sup>(1)</sup>	06/17/2020		A		19,487		(3)	06/17/2030 <sup>(4)</sup>	Common Stock	19,487	\$0.00	19,487	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Restricted stock unit award under the Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. 2011 Incentive Award Plan.
- Amount represents restricted stock units granted under the Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. 2011 Incentive Award Plan which will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first company business day on or after June 17, 2021, subject to continued employment.
- 70% of PSUs are comprised of one tranche with a performance period of three years. This tranche will vest if the Company's Cumulative Adjusted Free Cash Flow meets or exceeds the identified vesting amount during the performance period for that tranche. 30% of PSUs are comprised of three tranches with performance periods of one, two, or three years. Each tranche will vest if the Company's stock price measured over 10 consecutive trading days meets or exceeds the identified vesting price for that tranche during the performance period for that tranche.
- Any tranches that do not vest within their identified vesting time frame shall immediately terminate after the close of the vesting period and be forfeited without any settlement, thereunder. All awards subject to continued employment.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Leonard Steinberg for Richard Benken 06/19/2020

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Leonard Steinberg, Lars Danner, Laurie Butcher, Tiffany Hoogerhyde or Diedre Williams, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 7 day of January, 2020.

/s/ Richard P Benken  
Signature

Richard P Benken  
Print Name

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of January, 2020.

/s/Tiffany L. Smith  
Notary Public for the State of Alaska  
My Commission Expires: 11-3-22