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Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of earliest event reported: February 4, 2009

American Airlines, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-2691 13-1502798 _ (State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4333 Amon Carter Blvd. Fort Worth, Texas 76155 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(817) 963-1234

(Registrant's telephone number)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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| [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) | |
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Item 8.01 Other Events

American Airlines, Inc. is filing herewith a press release issued on February 4, 2009 as Exhibit 99.1, which is included herein. This press release was issued to report January traffic for American Airlines, Inc.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

American Airlines, Inc.

/s/ Kenneth W. Wimberly Kenneth W. Wimberly Corporate Secretary

Dated: February 5, 2009

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release

CONTACT: Tim Wagner Corporate Communications Fort Worth, Texas 817-967-1577 corp.comm@aa.com

FOR RELEASE: Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2009

AMERICAN AIRLINES REPORTS JANUARY TRAFFIC

FORT WORTH, Texas – American Airlines reported a January load factor of 73.8 percent, a decrease of 2.8 point versus the same period last year. Traffic decreased 11.7 percent and capacity decreased 8.3 percent year over year. Domestic traffic decreased 13.9 percent year over year on 11.6 percent less capacity. International traffic decreased by 8 percent relative to last year on a capacity decrease of 2.8 percent. American boarded 6.7 million passengers in January.

AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES

January

| | • | 2009 | 2008 | CHANGE |
|------------------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|----------|
| REVENUE PASSEN | GER MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | | 9,639,439 | 10,913,870 | -11.7 % |
| | D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 5,898,980 | 6,849,823 | -13.9 |
| | INTERNATIONAL | 3,740,459 | 4,064,047 | -8.0 |
| | ATLANTIC | 1,236,297 | 1,351,257 | -8.5 |
| | LATIN AMERICA | 2,056,540 | 2,252,159 | -8.7 |
| | PACIFIC | 447,622 | 460,631 | -2.8 |
| AVAILABLE SEAT | MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | • | 13,066,237 | 14,252,441 | -8.3 % |
| | D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 7,903,266 | 8,941,662 | -11.6 |
| | INTERNATIONAL | 5,162,971 | 5,310,779 | -2.8 |
| | ATLANTIC | 1,831,000 | 1,906,676 | -4.0 |
| | LATIN AMERICA | 2,754,018 | 2,828,681 | -2.6 |
| | PACIFIC | 577,953 | 575,422 | 0.4 |
| LOAD FACTOR | | | | |
| SYSTEM | | 73.8% | 76.6% | -2.8 Pts |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | | 74.6 | 76.6 | -2.0 |
| INTERNATIONAL | | 72.4 | 76.5 | -4.1 |
| ATLANTIC | | 67.5 | 70.9 | -3.3 |
| LATIN AMERICA | | 74.7 | 79.6 | -4.9 |
| PACIFIC | | 77.4 | 80.1 | -2.6 |
| PASSENGERS BOARDED | | 6,694,922 | 7,669,728 | -12.7 % |
| SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000) | | 120,454 | 164,608 | -26.8 % |

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