# ALASKA AIR GROUP Q3 2024 Earnings



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### **Non-GAAP Financial Information**

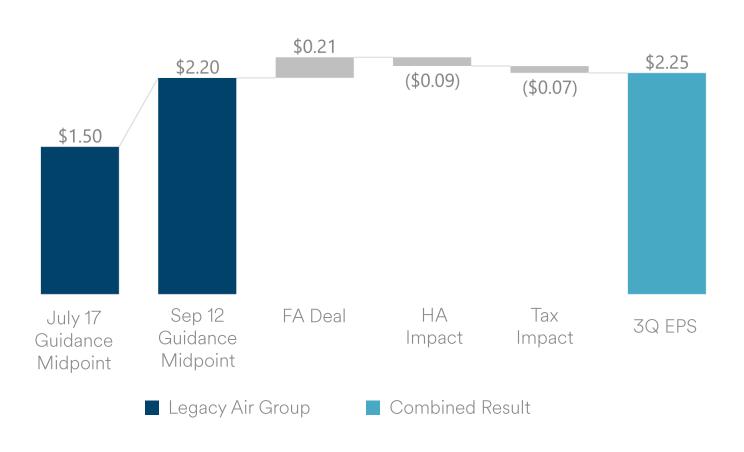
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# **Earnings Update**

- Air Group completed the acquisition of Hawaiian Holdings, Inc ("Hawaiian") on September 18, 2024. Reported Q3 2024 financials reflect consolidated results, inclusive of 13 days of Hawaiian, while comparable prior year periods exclude Hawaiian.
- Air Group's Fourth quarter 2024 guidance also includes Hawaiian, and is compared to pro forma Q4 2023 as if the acquisition had occurred on January 1, 2023. We believe this basis of comparison is relevant for understanding our expected results. See Exhibit 99.4 of Form 8-K filed on October 31, 2024 for pro forma historical periods
- ☐ Air Group's adjusted pretax margin of 13.0% led the industry for the quarter
- ☐ Unit costs improved versus previous guidance in part due to the tentative agreement with flight attendants that was not ratified in August, representing approximately \$38 million, or ~2 pts of CASMex that was not incurred during the quarter
- Economic fuel cost per gallon averaged \$2.61 for Q3 2024, with West Coast refining margins reaching similar levels to Gulf Coast for the quarter
- In October, Air Group raised \$2.0 billion in Mileage Plan backed financing, of which \$1.4 billion has been used to refinance high-yielding debt assumed in the merger. With the impact of October financing, Air Group's debt to cap was 58%, and adjusted net debt to EBITDAR was 2.4x

# Q3 2024 EPS

#### Q3 2024 Adjusted EPS Impacts vs. Prior Guidance



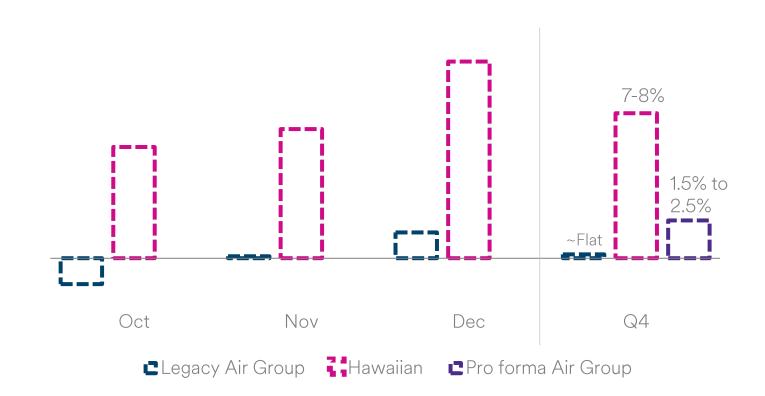
#### **Notes**

- Q3 results finished at the higher end of our revised guidance shared on Sep 12th and 75 cents higher than the midpoint of our original guide shared in July
- ☐ The tentative agreement with flight attendants was not ratified in August, resulting in lower costs for the quarter, or approximately \$0.21 EPS impact
- □ Hawaiian's financial performance for the period Sept 18 to Sept 30 represented an approximate (\$0.09) EPS impact to combined results
- □ Tax rate of ~28% in Q3 2024 was influenced by temporary merger-related impacts, representing an approximate (\$0.07) headwind for the quarter

Combined Result reflects Air Group, including Hawaiian from 9/18, as reported Legacy Air Group refers to Air Group prior to the acquisition or without the impact of Hawaiian

# Capacity





#### **Notes**

- □ The Boeing labor strike has further delayed deliveries, reducing pro forma combined growth by ~1.5 points in Q4 2024 due to five less in-schedule aircraft versus expectations
- Q4 2024 capacity is expected to be up ~1.5% to 2.5% y/y, with legacy Air Group capacity ~flat y/y (down 2 points from prior expectations) and Hawaiian capacity up 7-8% due to improved utilization on the A321neo fleet as GTF grounding is lapped, plus two 787 deliveries

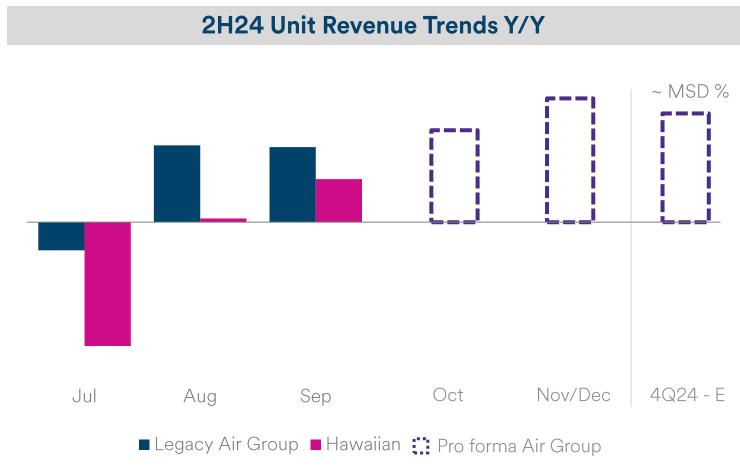
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# Q3 2024 Unit Revenue

#### **3Q24 Unit Revenue y/y Impacts vs. Prior Guidance** 0.1% ~ 2.0% 1.4% 1.3% (0.8%)Sep 12th Sep НΑ Q3 Result Pro Forma Guidance Improve-Impact Update ment Legacy Air Group ■ Combined Result ■ Pro forma Air Group

- September close-in booking trends for legacy Air Group were slightly better than anticipated vs. previous guidance shared on Sep 12, resulting in legacy Air Group unit revenue up 2.1% y/y in Q3 2024
- Reported Q3 2024 unit revenue was up 1.3%y/y including 13 days of Hawaiian financials vs. reported Q3 2023 which does not incorporate any Hawaiian results
- □ Pro forma Q3 2024 unit revenue was up 1.4% y/y, illustrating a comparison of fully combined results y/y for the quarter. This result includes Hawaiian unit revenue down ~2% and legacy Air Group up ~2% y/y

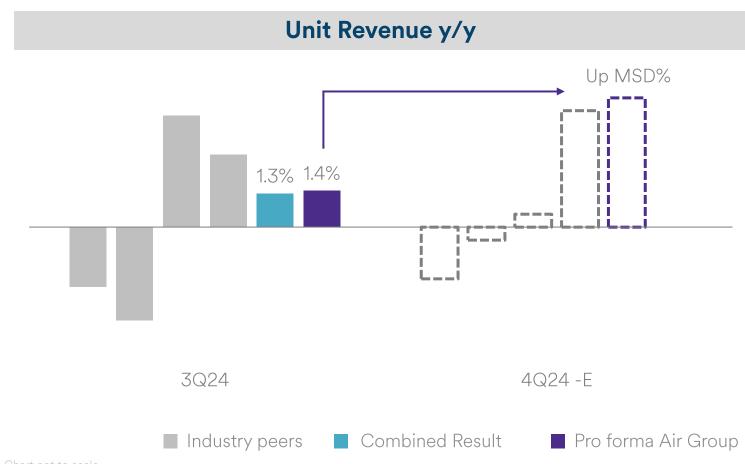
### **Unit Revenue Trends**



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- Year over year unit revenue changes inflected positive in August for both legacy Air Group and Hawaiian
- □ Holiday bookings are strong despite a shift of Thanksgiving return travel from Nov to Dec. This shift represents approximately ~8 pts of unit revenue headwind/benefit for Nov/Dec
- ☐ Continued improvement is expected across Hawaiian's network with North America PRASM up mid-single digits, and International PRASM approaching flat y/y. Neighbor island results are also showing material y/y improvement
- ☐ Pro forma Q4 2024 unit revenue is expected to be up mid-single digits y/y

### Unit Revenue Trends



#### Notes

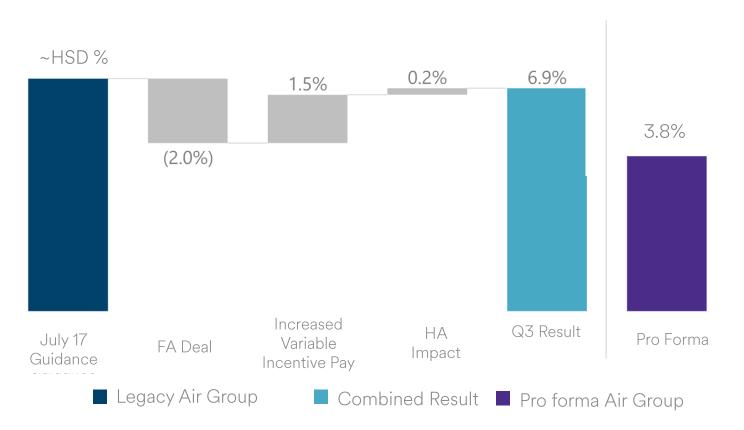
- □ Pro forma Q4 2024 unit revenue is expected to be up mid-single digits y/y, likely among the best in the industry
- With an improving unit revenue trajectory, sequential unit revenue performance is expected to improve several points quarter over quarter

Chart not to scale

Combined Result reflects Air Group, including Hawaiian from 9/18, as reported Pro forma amounts as if the acquisition had occurred January 1, 2023. See Exhibit 99.4 within our 8-K filed October 31, 2024 Industry peers reflect public reporting and guidance from AAL, DAL, JBLU, and LUV

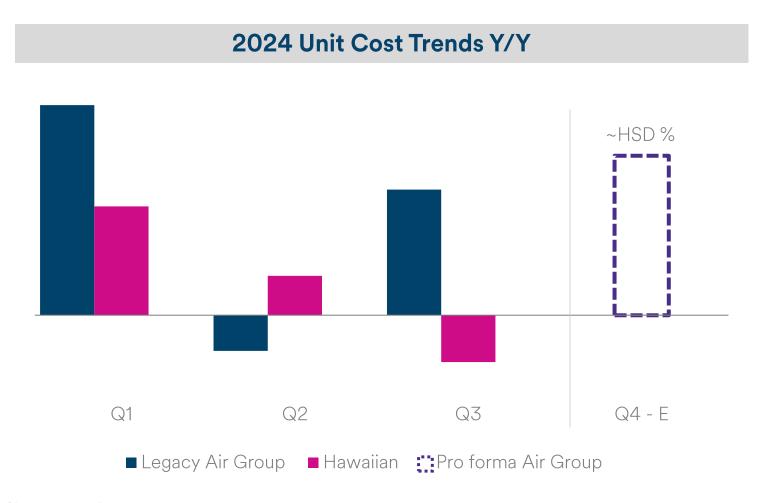
# Q3 2024 Unit Costs

#### Q3 2024 Unit Cost y/y Impacts vs. Prior Guidance



- Q3 2024 results no longer include costs from a new flight attendant deal as the tentative agreement was not ratified
- Expected variable incentive pay increased materially in Q3 2024 primarily driven by lower fuel prices and improving revenue trends
- □ Pro forma Q3 2024 unit costs were up 3.8% y/y, illustrating a comparison of fully combined results y/y for the quarter. This result includes Hawaiian unit costs down ~2% and legacy Air Group up ~7% y/y

### **Unit Cost Trend**



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- On a pro forma basis, unit costs are expected to be up high single digits in the fourth quarter
- □ Pro forma Q4 2024 guidance does not include costs for a possible flight attendant deal, in line with our practice to not accrue until a tentative agreement is reached. We return to the table with the union in November
- Materially lower growth in Q4 2024 than originally planned is expected to pressure unit costs by one-third due to both fewer ASMs as well as higher staffing levels relative to the schedule we expect to operate during the quarter

### **Unit Cost Trend**

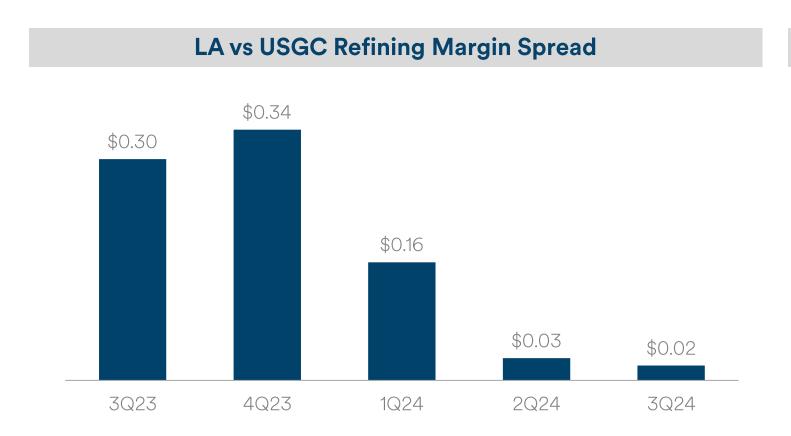
#### Variable Incentive Pay Distribution 2024 vs. 2023\*



#### \* Percentage of annual variable incentive pay expense recognized in each quarter

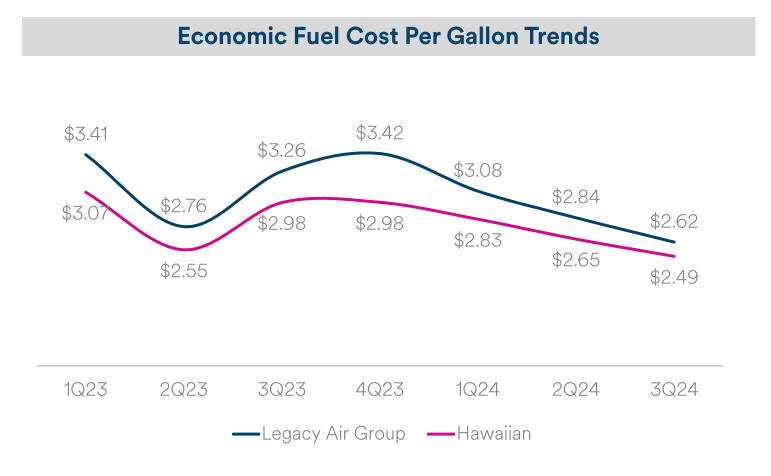
- □ Alaska's Performance Based Pay program rewards employees for pretax profit performance, industry margin positioning, and other key metrics
- ☐ Given strong performance in 2024, our expected Performance Based Pay estimates are expected to be higher than 2023
- Given lower fuel cost trends and improving revenue trajectory, our Performance Based Pay expense has been more heavily skewed to the second half of the year versus prior year, putting additional pressure on unit costs in the back half of the year

# Refining Margins



- Our reported Q3 2024 economic fuel cost per gallon was \$2.61, lower than our original expectation driven by moderating crude oil, down ~15% from July levels
- LA refining margins remained relatively stable throughout the quarter, supported by higher inventory levels. The spread versus Gulf Coast levels averaged ~\$0.02 during Q3 2024

### **Fuel Cost**



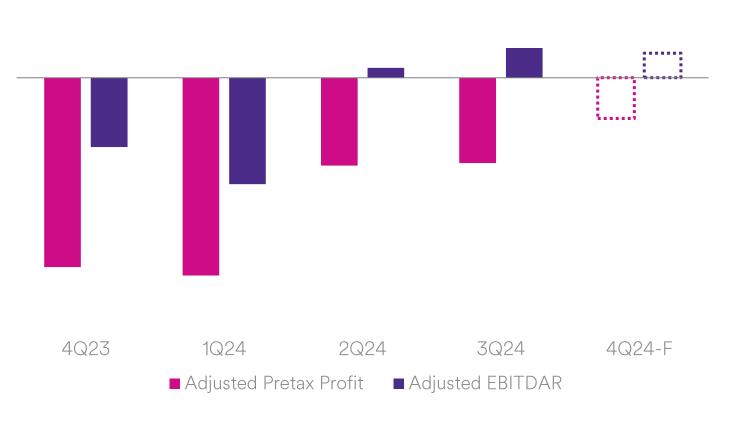
#### **Notes**

- □ Historically, Hawaiian fuel costs have averaged approximately \$0.25 lower than legacy Air Group fuel costs. Hawaiian sources more of its supply via Singapore, versus Air Group's primarily West Coast sourcing
- As a combined entity, fuel costs are expected to be approximately \$0.06 lower than legacy Air Group costs, benefitting from more diverse sourcing, including from lower-cost sources such as Singapore

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# Hawaiian Profitability

#### Hawaiian Standalone Pretax Profit and EBITDAR Trends



- We are encouraged by the improvement in Hawaiian's network, which will be approaching break even in Q4 2024 while EBITDAR inflected positive Q2 2024
- □ Profitability continues to recover as temporary challenges, including impacts from the Maui wildfires and many one-time cost headwinds like the A321neo engine grounding and A330F and 787 startup costs, have largely resolved
- Q4 2024 expected pretax loss is a ~5x y/y improvement vs 4Q 2023, driving a meaningful improvement in expected exit rate losses

# Hawaiian Temporary Headwinds

### **Temporary Headwinds** A321 Grounding - GTF Engine Issue A330 Freighter Startup Costs 787 Startup Costs Widebody Pilot Training Drag from Delivery Delays Maui Wildfires

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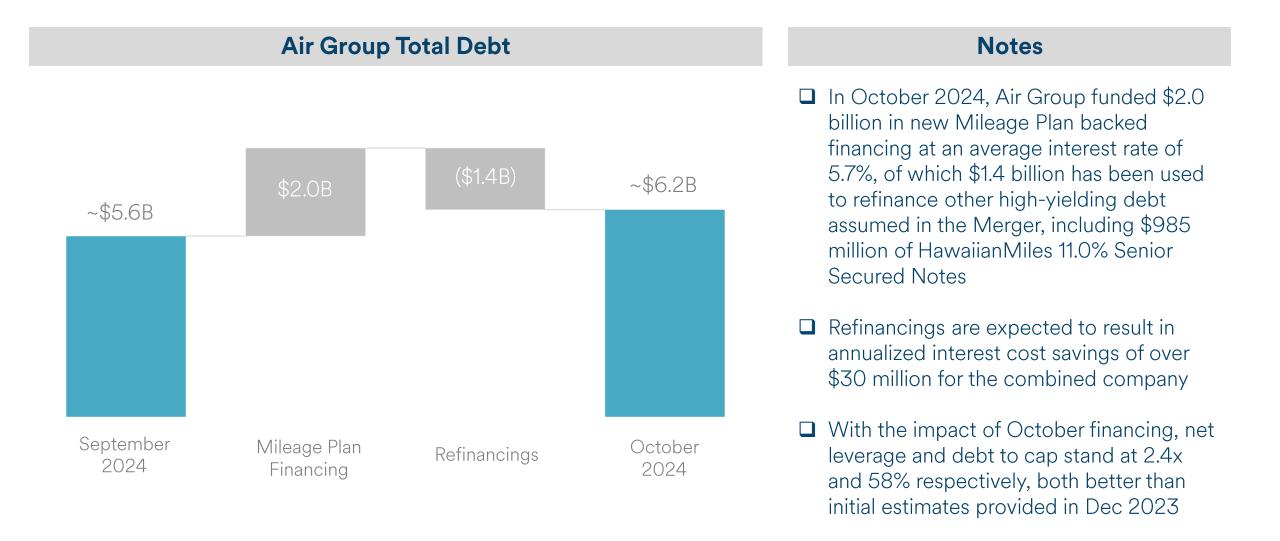
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#### **Notes**

■ Several temporary headwinds to Hawaiian's business have largely resolved as of October 2024, totaling approximately \$130 million in P&L drag

# **Balance Sheet**



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