ATLAS AIR WORLDWIDE HOLDINGS INC Form 8-K July 27, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

July 22, 2005

(Date of earliest event reported)

Atlas Air Worldwide Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

	Delaware	0-25732 (Commission File	13-4146982 (IRS Employer Identification
	(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	Number)	No.)
	2000 Westchester Avenue, Purchase,		
	New York		10577
	(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
	(914)	701-8000	
	(Registrant∏s telephone	number, including area c	ode)
	(Former name or former add	ress, if changed since last	report)
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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On July 22, 2005, Atlas Air Worldwide Holdings, Inc. (the \square Company \square) entered into an amended and restated employment agreement with T. Wakelee Smith, the Company \square s Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.

The amended and restated employment agreement with Mr. Smith supercedes the terms and conditions of his existing employment agreement by restricting the circumstances under which he may be eligible for severance payments, and by reducing his severance eligibility from eighteen months to twelve months, in consideration of which he will receive a one-time cash payment of \$127,500. It also provides that upon the expiration of his current automobile lease, his automobile allowance will be terminated and he will receive a one-time cash payment of \$19,000 and an annual salary increase of \$12,000 to in consideration of such termination.

The description of the amended and restated employment agreement set forth above is qualified in its entirety by reference to the agreement, which is attached as Exhibit 10.17.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description		
10.17.2	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement dated July 22, 2005, between Atlas Air Worldwide Holdings, Inc. and T. Wakelee Smith.		

SIGNATURES

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.

Atlas Air Worldwide Holdings, Inc.

Dated: July <u>27</u>, 2005 By: /s/ John Dietrich

Name: John W. Dietrich

Title: Senior Vice President, General

Counsel

and Chief Human Resources Officer

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