

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CAMPBELL BRUCE A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO		
(Last) 430 AIRPORT ROAD	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2009			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street) GREENEVILLE, TN 37745	(City)	(State)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Zip)	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			
Common Stock	02/12/2009		F	(1)	1,487	D	\$ 0 (1)	99,313 (1)	D	

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 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 Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.87	02/08/2009		A		100,000		(2)	02/08/2016	Common Stock	100,000	\$ 0 (2)	100,000	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.2467							(3)	02/07/2013	Common Stock	172,453		172,453	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.2067							(4)	10/27/2013	Common Stock	45,001		45,001	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.65							(5)	02/11/2014	Common Stock	100,000		100,000	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.9733							(6)	02/14/2015	Common Stock	150,000		150,000	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.35								10/30/2008 10/30/2012	Common Stock	200,000		200,000	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CAMPBELL BRUCE A 430 AIRPORT ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745	X		Chairman, President & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Michael P. McLean, Attorney-in-Fact		02/17/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person		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) Restricted stock withheld by Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligation on vesting of restricted stock.

(2) This is a vesting schedule, 33-1/3% over 3 years commencing on 2/8/10.

(3) This is a vesting schedule, 33-1/3% over 3 years, commencing 2/7/2004.

(4) This is a vesting schedule, 33-1/3% over 3 years, 10/27/2004.

(5) This is a vesting schedule, 33-1/3% over 3 years, commencing 2/11/2008.

(6) This is a vesting schedule, 33-1/3% over 3 years, commencing 2/14/2006.

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