

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person JEWELL MATTHEW J		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]		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) _____ Executive VP, CLO & Secretary	
430 AIRPORT ROAD		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/27/2011			
GREENEVILLE, TN 37745		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		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	
(City) (State) (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	06/30/2011		J(L)	V	5.0346 (L)	A	\$ 0 (L)	15,225.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		M		5,000	A	\$ 21.88	20,225.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		10	D	\$ 33.95	20,215.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		22	D	\$ 33.91	20,193.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		100	D	\$ 33.94	20,093.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		100	D	\$ 33.89	19,993.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		100	D	\$ 33.87	19,893.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		100	D	\$ 33.8	19,793.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		110	D	\$ 33.78	19,683.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		122	D	\$ 33.88	19,561.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		200	D	\$ 33.9	19,361.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		200	D	\$ 33.75	19,161.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		300	D	\$ 33.76	18,861.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		310	D	\$ 33.82	18,551.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		310	D	\$ 33.79	18,241.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		410	D	\$ 33.77	17,831.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		474	D	\$ 33.85	17,357.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		622	D	\$ 33.86	16,735.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		680	D	\$ 33.83	16,055.2421	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S		830	D	\$ 33.84	15,225.2421	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	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	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)	\$ 21.88	10/27/2011		M			5,000	(2)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 0	32,500	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JEWELL MATTHEW J 430 AIRPORT ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745			Executive VP, CLO & Secretary	

Signatures

/s/ Michael P. McLean, Attorney-in-Fact	10/31/2011
<small>Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

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) Includes 5.034662 shares acquired under the Issuer's employee stock purchase plan in June 2011.

(2) This option vested 25% each year over a four year period commencing on 7/1/03.

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