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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	ype Response	es)																
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DRUM CRAIG A				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]							ol	5. 1	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 430 AIRPORT ROAD				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/25/2012								X	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Senior Vice President, Sales					
(Street)				4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)									or Joint/Groy One Reportin	oup Filing(Ch	neck Applicable	:Line)	
GREENI	EVILLE, T	N 37745														e Reporting Pers	on	
(Cit	ty)	(State)	((Zip)			Ta	able I -	Non-D	erivati	ive Sec	curiti	es Acquired	l, Dispose	d of, or Bei	neficially Ov	vned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Trans Date (Month		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		e, if	(Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acc (A) or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 and 5		of (D) B	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership			
								Code	e V	Amoun	(A) or ount (D)	Price				(I) (Instr. 4)	(mon. 1)	
Common	Stock		04/25/	2012				M	Ť	400	A			4,023			D	
Common	Common Stock 04/25/2012						S		400	D		\$ 35.0238 3.	3,623			D		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day)	Year) Exec	Deemed cution Date,	4. 5. if Transaction Code Code (Instr. 8)			ivative urities urited or posed D)	6. Date Expirat	onth/Day/Year) Amounth/Day/Year) Amounth/Day/Year)			7. Title an Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 ar	f g		9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s	Owners Form o Derivat Security Direct (or Indir	ve Ownersh (Instr. 4) D)
						T			Date Exercis		Expirat Date	tion	Title	Amount or Number of		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4	
Stock Option (Right to	\$ 29.44	04/25/20	012		Code	V	(A)	(D) 400	<u>(1</u>) (02/10/	2015	Common	Shares	\$ 0	22,100	D	
Buy)													Stock					
кероі	rting O	wners																
Reporting	Owner Nar	ne / Address			Relatio	nshij	ps											
reporting	, June Ival	/ 11441 033	Director	10% Owner	Officer					Oth	ner							

Describes Occurs News / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
DRUM CRAIG A 430 AIRPORT ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745			Senior Vice President, Sales					

Signatures

/s/ Michael P. McLean, Attorney-in-Fact	04/27/2012
**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) This option vests 33-1/3% each year over a three year period commencing on 2/10/09.

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