# FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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

2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]			:	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X. Director. 10% Owner							
(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/02/2004				Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)						
	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
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	any	Code (Instr. 8)				of (D)	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)			Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
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#### **Reporting Owners**

Describer Occurs Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HANSELMAN RICHARD W 430 AIRPORT ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745	X					

### **Signatures**

By: /s/ Lera Doherty, Attorney-in-Fact	08/03/2004
Signature of Reporting Person	Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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