FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	es)													
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person + HANSELMAN RICHARD W				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 430 AIRPORT ROAD				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/27/2005								ve title below)		her (specify below	x)
(Street) GREENEVILLE, TN 37745			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					
(City) (State) (Zip)				Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui						es Acquire	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if r) any (Month/Day/Year		ite, if	(Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquire (A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Pr.		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		ted	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Dwnership Instr. 4)	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion		ransaction 3A. Deemed		4. 5.1 If Transaction of Code De Ac (A) Unit (Instr. 8) Sec (A) Dis of (In		Number 6. Date Expirati		ation Date Ar th/Day/Year) Ur Se		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.87	05/27/2005		A		7,500		(1)	05/27/2015	Commo	n 7,500	\$ 0	7,500	D	
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D	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	05/31/2005
**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 is a vesting schedule, 50% over 2 years commencing 5/27/06.

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