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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 * BELL RODNEY L				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						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1915 SNAPPS FERRY ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/14/2016							Officer (give title below) X Other (specify below)  FORMER OFFICER					
(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 PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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Common	Stock		11/14/2016				S		15,681	$D = \frac{3}{2}$	\$ 48.82	2 5	57,204.2	2789		D	
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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BELL RODNEY L 1915 SNAPPS FERRY ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745				FORMER OFFICER				

## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael P. McLean, Attorney-in-Fact	11/16/2016
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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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