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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HANSELMAN RICHARD W | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD] | | | | | | 4 | 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) 05/12/2010 | | | | | | | Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | | | |
| (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 | | | | | | Acquii | ired, 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) | | Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | of | d 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Ownership Form: Direct (D) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | | | | | |
| Common | Stock | | 05/12/2010 | | | A | | 2,733 (1) | A | \$ 0 | 14,077 | | | D | |
| Reminder: I | Report on a | separate line fo | or each class of secu | rities beneficial | lly ov | | Perso | ons wh | | | | | nformation | | SEC 1474 (9- |
| | | | | erivative Secu | | s Acquire | the fo | orm dis sposed o | plays a o | curre: | ntly valid | d OMB cor | espond un ntrol numb | | 02) |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y | Execution Da Year) any | ate, if Transaction Code Year) (Instr. 8) | | of and | | Expiration Date onth/Day/Year) | | Amo Unde Secu | tle and bunt of erlying rities r. 3 and | | 9. Number o Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction ((Instr. 4) | Owners Form of Derivat Securit Direct or India | Ownership y: (Instr. 4) (D) rect |
| | | | | Code | V | (A) (D) | Date Exer | cisable I | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Repor | ting O | wners | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Daniel Communication (Additional | Relationships | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| HANSELMAN RICHARD W 430 AIRPORT ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/ Michael P. McLean, Attorney-in-Fact | 05/14/2010 | | |
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| 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).
- Represents restricted stock awarded under the Forward Air Corporation Amended and Restated Non-Employee Director Stock Plan in a transaction exempt from Section (1) Represents restricted stock awarded under the Formation Corporation (1) 16(b) under Rule 16b-3. The stock fully vests one year from the 05/12/10 grant date.

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