Instruction 1(b).

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### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## Washington, D.C. 20549

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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	pe Response														
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) 430 AIRPORT ROAD				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2014						X	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  CFO, SVP & Treasurer				
(Street) GREENEVILLE, TN 37745				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						_X_	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)		T	able I -	Non-Deriv	ative Secu	rities						
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# **Signatures**

BELL RODNEY L 430 AIRPORT ROAD

Reporting Owner Name / Address

GREENEVILLE, TN 37745

/s/ Michael P. McLean, Attorney-in-Fact	02/10/2014
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Director

10% Owner

### **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).

Relationships

CFO, SVP & Treasurer

Officer

- (1) Includes 15.4859 shares acquired under the Issuer's employee stock purchase plan in June and December 2013.
- Award of time-vesting restricted stock under the Forward Air Corporation Amended and Restated Stock Option and Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3. The stock vests equally in one-third increments over three years commencing 2/6/15 and fully vesting on 2/6/17.

Other

(3) This option vests 33-1/3% each year over a three year period commencing on 2/6/15.

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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