FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHMITT THOMAS			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>FORWARD AIR CORP</u> [FWRD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2023	x x	Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owner Other (specify below)			
1915 SNAPPS FERRY ROAD				President & CEO					
BUILDING N			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)	TN	37745		X	Form filed by One Reportin Form filed by More than Or	0			
			Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contra affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.	ct, instruc	tion or written plan that is intende	d to satisfy the			

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/02/2023		F ⁽¹⁾		1,440	D	\$ <mark>0</mark>	50,841	D	
Common Stock	02/04/2023		F ⁽²⁾		1,211	D	\$ <mark>0</mark>	49,630	D	
Common Stock	02/08/2023		F ⁽³⁾		1,356	D	\$ <mark>0</mark>	48,274	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2023		Α		9,246 ⁽⁴⁾	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	57,520	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2023		F ⁽⁵⁾		4,170	D	\$ <mark>0</mark>	53,350	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2023		A		8,159%	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	61,509	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2023		F ⁽⁵⁾		3,680	D	\$ <mark>0</mark>	57,829	D	

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares withheld by Issuer to satisfy minimum tax withholding obligation upon vesting of restricted stock on February 2, 2023.

2. Shares withheld by Issuer to satisfy minimum tax withholding obligation upon vesting of restricted stock on February 4, 2023.

3. Shares withheld by Issuer to satisfy minimum tax withholding obligation upon vesting of restricted stock on February 8, 2023.

4. Represents an award of performance shares that vests on March 15, 2023. The number of shares awarded was determined based on earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization per share of the Issuer as compared to pre-set earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization per share over a three-year performance period.

5. Shares withheld by Issuer to satisfy minimum tax withholding obligation upon vesting of performance share award on March 15, 2023.

6. Represents an award of performance shares that vests on March 15, 2023. The number of shares awarded was determined based on the performance of the common stock of the Issuer as compared to the performance of the common stock of a selected peer group over a three-year performance period.

Remarks:

/s/ Michael L. Hance, Attorney-in-Fact 03/17/2023

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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