

JACKSON DAVID A  
Form 4  
November 03, 2009

**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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
JACKSON DAVID A

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC  
[KNX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/30/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
Chief Financial Officer

PHOENIX, AZ 85043

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  
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             | (D)                                                                  | Price                                                             |

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

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

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any | 4. Transaction<br>Code | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
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| (Instr. 3)     | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | Code | V | (A)    | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
|----------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------|---|--------|-----|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Stock<br>Grant | \$ 16.04<br>(1)                    | 10/30/2009       |            |                                                                  | M    |   | 45,000 |     | 01/31/2011(1)    | 01/31/2023         | Common<br>Stock | 45,000                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                 | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|                                                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| JACKSON DAVID A<br>5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD<br>PHOENIX, AZ 85043 |               |           | Chief<br>Financial<br>Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ David A.  
Jackson

11/03/2009

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) A Stock Grant was made on October 30, 2009 for 45,000 Shares with vesting as follows: five percent (5%) each year beginning January 31, 2011 through January 31, 2015; six (6%) percent for the year ending January 31, 2016; seven (7%) percent for the year ending January 31, 2017; eight (8%) percent for the year ending January 31, 2018; nine (9%) percent for the year ending January 31, 2019; ten percent (10%) for the year ending January 31, 2020; eleven (11%) percent for the year ending January 31, 2021; and twelve percent (12%) each year ending January 31, 2022 until fully vested on January 31, 2023. Shares will be issued under the Grant only as vested. If the vesting conditions are not satisfied, Shares will not be issued. Shares are issued at fair market value on the date of issuance.

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