

JEWELL MATTHEW J

Form 4

May 01, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JEWELL MATTHEW J

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

430 AIRPORT ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/27/2006

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Senior VP & Gen. Counsel

(Street)

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

GREENEVILLE, TN 37745

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/27/2006		M		8,800	A	\$ 13.25
Common Stock	04/27/2006		S		8,800	D	\$ 40
Common Stock	04/28/2006		M		1,200	A	\$ 13.25
Common Stock	04/28/2006		S		1,200	D	\$ 40

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.25	04/27/2006		M	8,800	02/07/2004 02/07/2013	Common Stock	8,800
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.25	04/28/2006		M	1,200	02/07/2004 02/07/2013	Common Stock	1,200

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
JEWELL MATTHEW J 430 AIRPORT ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745	Director 10% Owner Officer Other Senior VP & Gen. Counsel

Signatures

By: /s/ Lera Doherty,
Attorney-in-Fact 05/01/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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