COVENANT TRANSPORT INC Form SC 13G December 18, 2001

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

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Covenant Transport Inc
(Name of Issuer)
COMMON
(Title of Class of Securities)
22284P105
(CUSIP Number)
November 30, 2001
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b) [] Rule 13d-1(c) [] Rule 13d-1(d)

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

^{*} The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

SCHEDULE 13G CUSIP No. 22284P105

	1.	Names of Reporting Persons. RUTABAGA CAPITAL MANAGEMENT I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only). 04-3451870		
	2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions) (a) [] (b) []		
	3.	SEC USE ONLY		
	4.	Citizenship or Place of Organization		
			MASSACHUSETTS	
		5.	Sole Voting Power 605800	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With:		6.	Shared Voting Power 69700	
		7.	Sole Dipositive Power 675500	
		8.	Shared Dipositive Power NONE	
	9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 675500		
	10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Insructions) []		
	11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)		
			5.79%	
	12.	Type of Reporting	ng Person	

Item 1.				
	(a)	Name of Issuer		
		Covenant Transport Inc		
	(b)	Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices		
		400 Birmingham Highw Chattanooga, TN 37419 United States		
Item 2.				
	(a)	Name of Person Filing		
		RUTABAGA CAPITAL MANAGEMENT		
	(b)	Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence		
		64 Broad Street, 3rd Flo Boston, MA 02109	oor	
	(c)	Citizenship		
		MASSACHUSETTS		
	(d)	Title of Class of Securities		
		COMMON STOCK		
	(e)	CUSIP Number		
		22284P105		
Item 3.		If this statement is filed pursuant to $\S240.13d-1(b)$ or $240.13d-2(b)$ or (c) , check whether the person filing is a:		
	(a)	[]	Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780).	
	(b)	[]	Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).	
	(c)	[]	Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).	
	(d)	[]	Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8).	
	(e)	[X]	An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);	
	(f)	[]	An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);	
	(g)	[]	A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);	
	(h)	[]	A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);	
	(i)	[]		

A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);

(j) [] Group, in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

Item 4. Ownership.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

675500

(b) Percent of class:

5.79%

(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote

605800

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote

69700

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

675500

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

NONE

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [].

Instruction: Dissolution of a group requires a response to this item.

Item 10.

Item 6.	Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person
Item 7.	Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company
Item 8.	Identification and Classification of Members of the Group
Item 9.	Notice of Dissolution of Group

Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: December 18, 2001

Rutabaga Capital Management

By: /s/ Dana Cohen

Dana Cohen

Title: Partner

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