

COVENANT TRANSPORT INC

Form 4

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FORM 4
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 1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
PARKER DAVID RAY

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
 Symbol
COVENANT TRANSPORT INC
[CVTI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
 Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

400 BIRMINGHAM HIGHWAY

(Street)

CHATTANOOGA, TN 37419

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
09/30/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original
 Filed(Month/Day/Year)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

CEO & President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
 Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
 Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	09/30/2005		G	V 35,897 D <u>11</u>	2,687,567	D <u>(2)</u>	
Class A Common Stock					100,000	I	Fn <u>(3)</u>
Class A Common Stock					12,433	I	401(k) <u>(4)</u>
Class B Common					2,350,000	D <u>(2)</u>	

Stock

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 Acquired (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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following the Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PARKER DAVID RAY 400 BIRMINGHAM HIGHWAY CHATTANOOGA, TN 37419	X	X	CEO & President	

Signatures

/s/ David Ray Parker, by Heidi Hornung-Scherr, attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a POA
previously filed with the SEC

10/19/2005

____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) Gift to third party, voluntary early report on Form 4.
- (2) Shares owned directly are owned jointly by Mr. Parker and his wife, Jacqueline F. Parker, as joint tenants with rights of survivorship.
- (3) Shares are owned by the Parker Family Limited Partnership, of which Mr. and Mrs. Parker are the general partners.
- (4) The number of shares reported beneficially owned following the reported transaction is equal to the reporting person's October 18, 2005, account balance, the latest balance available under the plan, in the employer stock fund under the issuer's 401(k) Plan divided by the

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closing price on October 18, 2005. The fund is unitized and as such does not itself allocate a specific number of shares to each participant.

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