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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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5 Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Common

Common

Stock

Stock

02/25/2005

1 Name and Address of Reporting Person *

STALEY JAMES D				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol YELLOW ROADWAY CORP [YELL]				υ	Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1077 GORGE BLVD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2005					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
(Street) AKRON, OH 44310			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 Form filed by More than One Reporting				
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1.Title Securi (Instr.	ity	any			3.	4. Securities Acquired on(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)	7. Nature of	
Com Stocl		02/25/2005			Code V	Amount 9,708 (1)	(A) or (D)	Price \$ 61.31	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 46,426	D		

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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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STALEY JAMES D 1077 GORGE BLVD

Chief Exec. Officer, Roadway

AKRON, OH 44310

Signatures

/s/ James D. 03/01/2005 Staley

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).

The issuer granted the reporting person rights to receive shares of the issuer?s common stock, called performance share units, pursuant to the achievement of performance targets under a long-term incentive plan. After expiration of a holding period, the reporting person will receive one share of the issuer?s common stock for each vested performance unit. Fifty percent of the performance units vest on the third

- (1) anniversary of their date of grant, and the remaining 50% vest on the sixth anniversary of their date of grant. The issuer will not deliver any shares with respect to vested units until the earliest of the sixth anniversary from the date of grant, termination of the reporting person's employment with the issuer, retirement at age 65, death, disability or upon certain change of control events in respect of the issuer.
- The issuer granted 8,975 shares of restricted stock to the reporting person pursuant to his employment agreement with the issuer at a price (2) per share equal to the closing price of the issuer's common stock as of 12/31/04. The shares were delivered to the reporting person on 2/25/05.
- (3) Price per share of the issuer's common stock as of close on 12/31/04.
- (4) As of 12/31/04.

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