

SPEED JAMES B  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SPEED JAMES B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
USA TRUCK INC [USAK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2323 SOUTH 40TH  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/15/2005

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

FORT SMITH, AR 72903

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

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

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/15/2005		G <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000	D	\$ 0	1,426,727	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005		S		2,880	D	\$ 19.03	1,423,847	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005		S		4,320	D	\$ 19	1,419,527	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005		S		120	D	\$ 19.03	137,863	I <sup>(2)</sup>	By Spouse
Common Stock	02/17/2005		S		180	D	\$ 19	137,683	I <sup>(2)</sup>	By Spouse
	02/18/2005		S		2,700	D	\$ 19	1,416,827	D	

Common  
Stock

Common  
Stock

1,175

I (3)

By Minor  
Living in  
Household

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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SPEED JAMES B 2323 SOUTH 40TH FORT SMITH, AR 72903	X	X		

## Signatures

Craig S. Shelly                      02/22/2005  
 \*\*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).
- (1) These shares were disposed of by the reporting person through a bona fide gift to Trinity Educational Trust.

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- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by his spouse.
- (3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by his minor child.

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