

KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 MADDEN G D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC  
 [KNX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/01/2005

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

PHOENIX, AZ 85043  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. P Derivative Securities |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--|---|----------------------------|
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| (Instr. 3)  | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|--|--|
| Director<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 25.22                           | 06/01/2005       | A          | 500   |      |   |     |     | 01/02/2006          | 05/31/2015         | Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$0.01 per<br>share | 500                                    |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                            | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MADDEN G D<br>5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD<br>PHOENIX, AZ 85043 |               |           |         | X     |

## Signatures

/s/ GD Madden                      06/03/2005

\_\_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).
- Pursuant to the Knight Transportation, Inc. 2003 Stock Option Plan, every June 1 while the plan is in effect, independent directors (1) automatically receive a stock option grant of 500 shares of Knight Common stock, the exercise price of which is the fair market value as of June 1.

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