

Knight Larry  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Knight Larry		(Month/Day/Year)	KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC [KNX]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
PHOENIX,Â AZÂ 85043			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below)	(specify below)
			Pres. Knight Intermodal, LLC	
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	9,809	D <sup>(1)</sup>	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	4,526	I	401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	03/09/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/12/2010	Common Stock	7,688 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 2.85	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	03/09/2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	09/17/2011	Common Stock	16,875 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 4.8889	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	03/09/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	06/04/2012	Common Stock	9,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 8.4445	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	03/09/2009 <sup>(5)</sup>	08/06/2013	Common Stock	11,250 <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 11.4356	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	03/09/2009 <sup>(6)</sup>	03/18/2014	Common Stock	11,250	\$ 10.5378 <sup>(6)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	03/09/2009 <sup>(7)</sup>	04/25/2015	Common Stock	11,250 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$ 14.48	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	05/18/2009 <sup>(8)</sup>	05/17/2016	Common Stock	8,000 <sup>(8)</sup>	\$ 18.75	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	05/25/2010 <sup>(9)</sup>	05/24/2017	Common Stock	7,500 <sup>(9)</sup>	\$ 18.2	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	02/28/2011 <sup>(10)</sup>	02/27/2018	Common Stock	2,632 <sup>(10)</sup>	\$ 14.79	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	02/28/2011 <sup>(11)</sup>	02/27/2018	Common Stock	7,368 <sup>(11)</sup>	\$ 14.79	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	05/22/2011 <sup>(12)</sup>	05/21/2018	Common Stock	3,742 <sup>(12)</sup>	\$ 17.29	D	Â
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	05/22/2013 <sup>(13)</sup>	05/21/2018	Common Stock	3,758 <sup>(13)</sup>	\$ 17.29	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Knight Larry 5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD PHOENIX, AZ 85043	Â	Â	Â Pres. Knight Intermodal, LLC	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Larry Knight                      03/09/2009

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) 140 shares of stock are held by Larry V. Knight, as Custodian FBO Dallen D. Gardner; 140 shares of stock are held by Larry V. Knight, as Custodian FBO Bobbi K. Knight; 140 shares of stock are held by Larry V. Knight, as Custodian FBO Beau C. Gardner.
- (2) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 15,188 shares of stock at the grant price of \$2.85 per share on October 13, 2000, of which 7,500 shares have been exercised and 7,688 shares are vested and exercisable.
- (3) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 16,875 shares of stock at the grant price of \$4.8889 per share on September 18, 2001, of which 16,875 shares are vested and exercisable.
- (4) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 9,000 shares of stock at the grant price of \$8.4445 per share on June 5, 2002, of which 9,000 shares are vested and exercisable.
- (5) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 11,250 shares of stock at the grant price of \$11.4356 per share on August 7, 2003, of which 6,750 shares are vested and exercisable and the remaining shares shall vest as follows: 2,250 shares annually beginning on August 7, 2009, until fully vested
- (6) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 11,250 shares of stock at the grant price of \$10.5378 per share on March 19, 2004, of which 4,500 shares are vested and exercisable and the remaining shares shall vest as follows: 2,250 shares annually beginning on March 19, 2009, until fully vested
- (7) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 11,250 shares of stock at the grant price of \$14.48 per share on April 26, 2005, of which 2,250 shares are vested and exercisable and the remaining shares shall vest as follows: 2,250 shares annually beginning on April 26, 2009, until fully vested
- (8) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 8,000 shares of stock at the grant price of \$18.75 per share on May 18, 2006, to vest as follows: 1,600 annually beginning on May 18, 2009, until fully vested.
- (9) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 7,500 shares of stock at the grant price of \$18.20 per share on May 25, 2007, to vest as follows: 1,500 annually beginning on May 25, 2010, until fully vested
- (10) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 2,632 shares of stock at the grant price of \$14.79 per share on February 29, 2008, to vest as follows: 1,316 shares on February 28, 2011 and 1,316 shares on February 29, 2012
- (11) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 7,368 shares of stock at the grant price of \$14.79 per share on February 29, 2008, to vest as follows: 684 shares on February 28, 2011, 684 shares on February 29, 2012 and 2,000 shares annually beginning on February 28, 2013 until fully vested
- (12) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 3,742 shares of stock at the grant price of \$17.29 per share on May 22, 2008, to vest as follows: 1,500 shares on May 22, 2011, 1,500 shares on May 22, 2012 and 742 shares on May 22, 2013
- (13) Mr. Knight was granted an option to purchase 3,758 shares of stock at the grant price of \$17.29 per share on May 22, 2008 to vest as follows: 758 shares on May 22, 2013 and 1,500 annually beginning on May 22, 2014 until fully vested

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