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HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC  
Form 8-K  
December 15, 2003

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):  
December 10, 2003

HEARTLAND EXPRESS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number - 0-15087

NEVADA  
(State of other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

93-0926999  
(IRS Employer ID No.)

2777 HEARTLAND DRIVE, CORALVILLE, IOWA  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

52241  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number (including area code): 319-545-2728

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS AND REQUIRED FD DISCLOSURE

On December 10, 2003, Heartland Express, Inc. (the "Company") announced the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend. A copy of the press release issued by the Company is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

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The Exhibit listed on the Exhibit Index accompanying Form 8-K is furnished herewith.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

HEARTLAND EXPRESS, INC.

Date: December 15, 2003

BY: /s/ John P. Cosaert  
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JOHN P. COSAERT  
Vice-President  
Finance and Treasurer

EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press release issued by the Company on December 10, 2003 announcing the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend.

Exhibit No. 99.1

Wednesday, December 10, 2003, For Immediate Release

Press Release

Heartland Express, Inc. Declares Regular Quarterly Dividend

CORALVILLE, IOWA - December 10, 2003 - Heartland Express, Inc. (Nasdaq: HTLD)

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The Board of Directors of Heartland Express, Inc. announced today the declaration of a regular quarterly cash dividend. The \$0.02 per share dividend will be paid on January 2, 2004 to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 22, 2003.

Heartland Express, Inc. implemented a quarterly cash dividend program in the third quarter of 2003. The Company's first ever cash dividend was paid on October 2, 2003.

The press release may contain forward-looking statements, which are based on information currently available. These statements and assumptions involve certain risks and uncertainties. Actual events may differ from these expectations as specified from time to time in filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to the extent it becomes aware that it will not be achieved for any reason.

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End of Report