

HEARTLAND EXPRESS 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 *
MEEHAN RICHARD L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC
[HTLD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/14/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Following 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)	Price		
COMMON STOCK	03/14/2006	03/14/2006	S	700	D \$ 23.59	34,893	D
COMMON STOCK	03/14/2006	03/14/2006	S	100	D \$ 23.6	34,793	D
COMMON STOCK	03/14/2006	03/14/2006	S	100	D \$ 23.62	34,693	D
COMMON STOCK	03/14/2006	03/14/2006	S	900	D \$ 23.63	33,793	D
COMMON STOCK	03/14/2006	03/14/2006	S	300	D \$ 23.61	33,493	D

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COMMON STOCK	03/14/2006	03/14/2006	S	200	D	\$ 23.66	33,293	D	
COMMON STOCK	03/14/2006	03/14/2006	S	500	D	\$ 23.67	32,793	D	
COMMON STOCK	03/14/2006	03/14/2006	S	200	D	\$ 23.68	32,593	D	
COMMON STOCK							25,069	I	BY SPOUSE
COMMON STOCK							6,000 ⁽¹⁾	D	

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 Beneficially (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MEEHAN RICHARD L			EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	

Signatures

RICHARD L MEEHAN 03/14/2006

__Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

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).

ITEM 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions. The 6,000 shares of Heartland Express, Inc. Common stock were received as a grant of a restricted stock award. The 6,000 shares are subject to vesting, forfeiture, and transfer restrictions over a one year period beginning March 7, 2006. Mr. Meehan has voting power but does not have dispositive power until vesting requirements are satisfied. Vesting, forfeiture, and transfer restrictions will laspe on March 7, 2007.

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