BECKHAM CLIFTON R

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BECKHAM CLIFTON R** Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

USA TRUCK INC [USAK]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

3200 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD

(Street)

(State)

01/30/2013

below)

Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

VAN BUREN, AR 72956

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

(City)

(Instr. 3)

01/30/2013

7,530 A \$0 (1)

 $71,702 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships						
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
X		Chief Executive Officer				
			Director 10% Owner Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Clifton R.

Beckham

**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).
- On January 30, 2013, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors granted the Reporting Person, under the USA

 Truck, Inc. 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, Restricted Stock of the Company. The award granted was determined based upon the closing market price of the Company's Common Stock on February 1, 2013. The grant of Restricted Stock will vest in annual increments of one-fourth beginning February 1, 2014 and continuing through and including February 1, 2017.
- (2) The amount includes shares purchased by the reporting person from the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan that have not been previously reported.

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