

HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**WILKINSON DENNIS J**

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)  
**3975 SPRING BREEZE CT NE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**09/25/2015**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Vice President of Operations**

**SOLON, IA 52333-9599**  
 (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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/25/2015		A	(A) or (D) Amount 10,000 (1)	\$ 0	12,000 (2)	D
Common Stock					3,480		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 Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WILKINSON DENNIS J 3975 SPRING BREEZE CT NE SOLON, IA 52333-9599			Vice President of Operations	

## Signatures

/s/ Dennis J. Wilkinson, by Christopher A. Strain, attorney-in-fact, pursuant to POA filed herewith

09/29/2015

\_\_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).

The reporting person received 10,000 shares of Heartland Express, Inc. common stock as a grant of restricted stock under the 2011 Restricted Stock Plan, as such plan may be amended from time to time. The award vests September 30, 2015, and is subject to certain forfeiture provisions. The reporting person has voting power but does not have dispositive power until vesting requirements are satisfied.

(1) Includes (a) 10,000 restricted shares of Heartland Express, Inc. common stock granted to the reporting person on 9/25/15 and (b) 2,000 shares of common stock granted to the reporting person on 12/14/11 (representing the unvested portion of 10,000 restricted shares granted on such date) awarded under the 2011 Restricted Stock Plan, as such plan may be amended from time to time. These awards are subject to certain vesting and forfeiture provisions. The reporting person has voting power but does not have dispositive power until vesting requirements are satisfied.

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