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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 *
JONES MAUREEN A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

7 ST PAUL STREET, STE 1140

(Street)

BALTIMORE, MD 21202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/02/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP, CFO & Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	01/02/2008		M	V	3,546	A	\$ 7.5667 3,546 D
Common Stock	01/02/2008		M	V	3,546	D	\$ 14.12 0 D
Common Stock	12/31/2007 ⁽¹⁾		J	V	62	A	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ 6,487 D
Common Stock	12/31/2007 ⁽²⁾		J	V	1,800	A	\$ 0 ⁽²⁾ 20,524 I

By
Issuer's
Thrift
Plan Trust
(2)

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) These shares were acquired in exempt transactions as a result of dividend reinvestment.

The number of shares reported as held by the Issuer's Thrift Plan Trust represents the undersigned's proportionate beneficial interest in such stock held in the Trust. Such number is based on information as of December 31, 2007, the most recent date as of which such

(2) information is available. This number reflects periodic contributions made during 2007, shares acquired by the Trustee through dividend reinvestment, and changes in the number of shares previously reported to fluctuations in the market price and interests in the Trust. Shares were acquired by the Trustee at various times during 2007. The Issuer's stock traded in a range of \$15.42 - \$13.00 during 2007.

The number of shares reported as held by Petroleum & Resources Corporation (PEO) Thrift Plan Trust represents the undersigned's proportionate beneficial interest in such stock held in the Trust. Such number is based on information as of 12/31/2007, the most recent date as of which such information is available. This number reflects periodic contributions made during 2007, shares acquired by the

(3) Trustee through dividend reinvestment, and changes in the number of shares previously reported to fluctuations in the market price and interests in the Trust. Shares were acquired by the Trustee at various times during 2007. The Issuer's stock traded in a range of \$15.42-\$13.00 during 2007.

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