FORWARD AIR CORP

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BELL RODNEY L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

Stock

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner

430 AIRPORT ROAD

(Month/Day/Year) 07/29/2016

below)

Officer (give title __X_ Other (specify below)

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(Street)

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

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

GREENEVILLE, TN 37745

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble 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. Securit our Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (` ′	Securities O Beneficially Fo Owned D Following or Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Ii)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Stock	07/29/2016		M	16,991	A	\$ 22.47	125,887.2789	D		
Common Stock	07/29/2016		S	16,991	D	\$ 46.2871	108,896.2789	D		
Common Stock	08/01/2016		M	12,033	A	\$ 22.47	120,929.2789	D		
Common Stock	08/01/2016		S	12,033	D	\$ 46.3376	108,896.2789	D		
Common	08/01/2016		M	4,450	A	\$ 22.47	113,346.2789	D		

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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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)		(
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.47	07/29/2016		M	16,991	<u>(1)</u>	02/07/2017	Common Stock	16,991	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.47	08/01/2016		M	12,033	<u>(1)</u>	02/07/2017	Common Stock	12,033	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.47	08/01/2016		M	4,450	<u>(1)</u>	02/07/2017	Common Stock	4,450	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Nebuluii Owner Name / Audress	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BELL RODNEY L 430 AIRPORT ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745

FORMER OFFICER

Signatures

/s/ Michael P. McLean, Attorney-in-Fact 08/02/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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).
- (1) This option vests 33-1/3% each year over a three year period commencing on 2/7/11.

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