#### FORWARD AIR CORP

Form 4 March 09, 2016

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add CAMPBELL		ting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
430 AIRPORT ROAD			(Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2016	_X_ Director 10% Owner Street Chairman, President & CEO		
	(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		
GREENEVIL	LE, TN 37	745		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly 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 n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/07/2016		A	10,331 (1)	A	\$0	183,327	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2016		F(2)	3,190	D	\$0	180,137	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)

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Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Da	ite	Amou	nt of	Derivative	]
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	]
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				G 1 W	(A) (B)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CAMPBELL BRUCE A 430 AIRPORT ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745	X		Chairman, President & CEO				

## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael P. McLean, Attorney-in-Fact 03/09/2016

\*\*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).
  - Shares awarded in conjunction with a Performance Share Agreement issued on 2/7/13 under the Forward Air Corporation Amended and Restated Stock Option and Incentive Plan. In accordance with the Performance Share Agreement, the number of shares awarded was
- determined based on the three year performance of Forward Air Corporation common stock as compared to the share price performance of a selected peer group.
- (2) Stock withheld by Issuer to satisfy minimum tax withholding obligation on award of stock.

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  - These common shares were acquired upon the vesting of dividend equivalent units related to the performance-based restricted stock unit
- (1) award granted in 2012 and deferred by the reporting person. These dividend equivalent units are not eligible for deferral under any applicable plan.
- (2) The reporting person elected to defer receipt, upon the vesting thereof, of performance-based restricted shares granted in 2007. This Form 4 reports the disposition of such restricted shares in exchange for an equal number of deferred compensation units under the applicable

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deferral plan.

- (3) Delivery of shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations related to dividend equivalent units described in footnote 1.
- (4) 1 for 1
- (5) In addition to the deferral described in footnote 2, the reporting person elected to defer receipt of common shares issuable upon the vesting of performance-based restricted stock units awarded in 2012 (344,896.080 units).
- (6) Units will not be exercisable prior to distribution and will be distributed in an equivalent number of Common Shares at the time elected by the reporting person, subject to the payment provisions of the plan.
- (7) Expiration Date is the same as the Date Exercisable.

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