BELL RODNEY L

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### FORM 4

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**SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A BELL ROD	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
430 AIRPO	RT ROAD		(Month/Day/Year) 11/07/2005	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  VP & Controller			
	(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			
GREENEVI	ILLE, TN 37	745		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	equired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

(City)	(State) (	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(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)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/07/2005		M	4,934	A	\$ 17.79	42,116	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		S	4,934	D	\$ 36	37,182	D	
Common Stock	11/08/2005		M	481	A	\$ 17.79	37,663	D	
Common Stock	11/08/2005		S	481	D	\$ 35.8	37,182	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number conf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securities 1
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.79	11/07/2005		M	4,934	<u>(1)</u>	02/03/2010	Common Stock	4,934
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.79	11/08/2005		M	481	<u>(1)</u>	02/03/2010	Common Stock	481

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BELL RODNEY L 430 AIRPORT ROAD GREENEVILLE, TN 37745

VP & Controller

### **Signatures**

By: /s/ Lera Doherty,

Attorney-in-Fact 11/09/2005

\*\*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).

(1) 2/3/2004

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