Morris Michael Joseph Form 4 February 07, 2018

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Morris Michael Joseph Issuer Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title ) Other (specify 1915 SNAPPS FERRY 02/05/2018 below) ROAD, BUILDING N CFO, Senior VP and Treasurer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **GREENEVILLE, TN 37745** Person

(City)	(State) (A	Table Table	I - Non-Do	erivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)	Reported		
				(A)	Transaction(s)		
			C = V	or	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
_			Code V	Amount (D) Pric	e		
Common Stock	02/05/2018		A	$\frac{2,825}{(1)}$ A \$0	11,923	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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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 coof 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 58.4	02/05/2018		A	2,825	<u>(2)</u>	02/05/2025	Common Stock	2,825

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Orris Michael Joseph 915 SNAPPS FERRY ROAD			CFO, Senior VP and			

Morris Michael Joseph 1915 SNAPPS FERRY ROAI BUILDING N GREENEVILLE, TN 37745

**Signatures** 

/s/ Michael L. Hance, Attorney-in-Fact 02/07/2018

\*\*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).
- Award of time-vesting restricted stock under the Forward Air Corporation 2016 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan in a transaction (1) exempt from Section 16(b)under Rule 16b-3. The stock vests equally in one-third increments over three years commencing 2/5/19 and fully vesting on 2/5/21.

Treasurer

(2) This option vests 33-1/3% each year over a three year period commencing on 2/5/19.

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