MADDEN G D Form 4 May 23, 2011

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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SECURITIES obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MADDEN G D Issuer Symbol KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC (Check all applicable)

[KNX]

(Month/Day/Year)

5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD 05/19/2011 (Street)

(Middle)

(Zip)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(D) or

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB APPROVAL

10% Owner

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Form: Direct Indirect

Other (specify

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Number:

Expires:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

Person

below)

X Director

Applicable Line)

5. Amount of

Officer (give title

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of Execution Date, if Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3) anv

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

Securities

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 05/19/2011 Stock

PHOENIX, AZ 85043

Amount (D) Code Price 1.299 A (1) 17.32

(A)

or

45,503

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 o	of 2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivativ	ve Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Exercisable	Date	Title Nur of	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
F-	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MADDEN G D							
5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD	X						
PHOENIX AZ 85043							

Signatures

/s/ G.D. Madden

05/23/2011

**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).

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