

Updike James E. Jr.
Form 4
December 02, 2011

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Updike James E. Jr.

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC
[KNX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD

(Street)

PHOENIX, AZ 85043

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

11/30/2011

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

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Exec VP Sales and Marketing

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. I

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(In
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	11/30/2011	A		10,000		(1)	(1)	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Updike James E. Jr. 5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD PHOENIX, AZ 85043	Exec VP Sales and Marketing

Signatures

/James E.
Updike, Jr./ 12/02/2011

__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).
- Restricted stock units were granted on November 30, 2011, the restricted stock units vest as follows: ten percent (10%) on November 30, 2012; fifteen percent (15%) on November 30, 2013; twenty percent (20%) on November 30, 2014; twenty-five percent (25%) on November 30, 2015; and thirty percent (30%) on November 30, 2016. Stock is issued when and as vested.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of KNX common stock. The restricted stock units were received as a grant for no consideration.

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