Updike James E. Jr. Form 4 April 23, 2012

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

**OMB** 3235-0287

Number:

January 31,

Expires:

2005

Estimated average burden hours per

response...

0.5

**OMB APPROVAL** 

if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5

Check this box

obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(City)

(State)

(7:m)

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Updike James E. Jr. |          |                  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                       |  |  |  |
|--|----------|------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|  |          |                  | KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC [KNX]                    | (Check all applicable)   |  |  |  |
| (Last)   | (First)  | (Middle)         | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction                    | Director 10% Owner   |  |  |  |
|  |          | (Month/Day/Year) | X Officer (give title Other (specify below)        |  |  |  |  |
| 5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD (Street)                                |          |                  | 02/09/2012   | Exec VP Sales and Marketing  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check |  |  |  |
|  |          |                  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original                     |  |  |  |  |
|  |          |                  | Filed(Month/Day/Year)                              | Applicable Line)   |  |  |  |
|  |          |                  |  | _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person                                 |  |  |  |
| PHOENIX, A   | XZ 85043 |                  |  | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                           |  |  |  |

| (City)                    | (State)             | Tabl               | e I - Non-D | Perivative Secu        | ırities Acqu | iired, Disposed of | , or Beneficiall | y Owned                |  |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------------|--|
| 1.Title of                | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed         | 3.          | 4. Securities A        | Acquired     | 5. Amount of       | 6.               | 7. Nature of           |  |
| Security (Month/Day/Year) |                     | Execution Date, if | Transactio  | on(A) or Dispos        | ed of (D)    | Securities         | Ownership        | Indirect<br>Beneficial |  |
| (Instr. 3)                |                     | any                | Code        | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)    |              | Beneficially       | Form: Direct     |                        |  |
|                           |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8)  |                        |              | Owned              | (D) or           | Ownership              |  |
|                           |                     |                    |             |                        |              | Following          | Indirect (I)     | (Instr. 4)             |  |
|                           |                     |                    |             | ( )                    | `            | Reported           | (Instr. 4)       |                        |  |
|                           |                     |                    |             | (A                     |              | Transaction(s)     |                  |                        |  |
|                           |                     |                    | Code V      | Amount (D              |              | (Instr. 3 and 4)   |                  |                        |  |
| Common<br>Stock           | 02/09/2012          |                    | S           | $\frac{463.01}{(1)}$ D | \$<br>17.38  | 2,833.99           | D                |                        |  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

#### Edgar Filing: Updike James E. Jr. - Form 4

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.  onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) |                     | ate                | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | of<br>ng<br>s | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|---------------|---|---|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                  | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | or<br>Title Nu<br>of  | umber         |   |   |

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Updike James E. Jr. 5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD PHOENIX, AZ 85043

Exec VP Sales and Marketing

## **Signatures**

/s/ James E. 04/23/2012 Updike, Jr.

\*\*Signature of Reporting 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).
- The reporting person's sale of Knight Transportation common stock reported herein was not matchable under Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, due to exemptions under Rule 16b-3.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

Reporting Owners 2