

HOOPER LAWRENCE L JR
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 HOOPER LAWRENCE L JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 7 ST PAUL STREET, STE 1140

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/27/2007

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, Gen'l Counsel & Sec'y

(Street)
 BALTIMORE, MD 21202

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 04/27/2007 | | F | 144 D | \$ 14.655 | 22,040 ⁽¹⁾ | I | Direct and Indirect ⁽¹⁾ |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|
| Code V (A) (D) | | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HOOPER LAWRENCE L JR 7 ST PAUL STREET STE 1140 BALTIMORE, MD 21202 | | | VP, Gen'l Counsel & Sec'y | |

Signatures

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Lawrence L. Hooper, Jr. | 05/01/2007 |
| **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) Of these shares, 7,909 are held directly and 14,131 are held indirectly through the Issuer's Thrift Plan Trust (as of 12/31/2006, the most recent date such information is available).

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