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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Bates David J. | | (Month/Day/Year) | OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE INC/VA [ODFL] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| 500 OLD DOMINION WAY | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| (Street) | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner |
| THOMASVILLE,Â NCÂ 27360 | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | (give title below) | (specify below) |
| | | | SVP - Operations | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 220 | I | By 401(k) plan |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of | |

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-------|-------|-----------------|--------|--------|-------------------|---|
| | | | | Shares | | (1) (Instr. 5) | |
| Phantom Stock | Â (1) | Â (1) | Common Stock | 5,346 | \$ (2) | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Bates David J. 500 OLD DOMINION WAY THOMASVILLE, NC 27360 | Â | Â | Â SVP - Operations | Â |

Signatures

/s/ David J. Bates
11/07/2011

Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 award will settle on the earlier of (a) the date of the reporting person's termination of employment on or after attainment of age 55 for
- (1) any reason other than death, total disability or for cause; (b) the date of the reporting person's death while employed by the issuer; or (c) the date of the reporting person's termination of employment as a result of his total disability.
 - (2) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. common stock.

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