

CROUSE LAWRENCE D

Form 4

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**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CROUSE LAWRENCE D

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC  
[HTLD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/11/2010

☒ Director ☒ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

RR1 BOX 82

(Street)

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

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

BURKE, SD 57523

(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								1,910,372	I	Trustee for Shares <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock								34,660	I	Trustee for Shares <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock								47,565	D	
Common Stock								6,500,000	I	Trustee for Shares <u>(3)</u>

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Common Stock						1,936,276	I	Voting Trustee <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock	10/11/2010	J <sup>(6)</sup>	V	371,027	A	\$ 0 371,027	I	Trustee for Shares <sup>(5)</sup>
Common Stock	10/25/2010	J <sup>(6)</sup>	V	191,642	A	\$ 0 562,669	I	Trustee for Shares <sup>(5)</sup>

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)

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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CROUSE LAWRENCE D RR1 BOX 82 BURKE, SD 57523	X	X		

## Signatures

/s/ Lawrence D. Crouse 10/26/2010

                    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) The reporting person serves as trustee for shares held by the 2005 Gerdin Children's Trust but has no pecuniary interest in such shares. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.  
  
The reporting person serves as trustee for shares held by trusts for the benefit of the grandchildren of Russell and Ann Gerdin in which  
(2) the reporting person has no pecuniary interest in such shares. Mr. Crouse has shared voting and dispositive power with respect to each trust. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- (3) The reporting person serves as trustee for shares held by the 2009 Gerdin Heartland Trust but has no pecuniary interest in such shares. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- (4) The reporting person serves as voting trustee for shares represented by a voting certificate held by Gerdin Family Investments, LP. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- (5) The reporting person serves as trustee for shares held by the 2007 Gerdin Heartland Trust but has no pecuniary interest in such shares. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
- (6) Remainder shares distributed from grantor retained annuity trusts for the benefit of Ann Gerdin to the 2007 Gerdin Heartland Trust. The reporting person serves as trustee of the 2007 Gerdin Heartland Trust.

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