

CROUSE LAWRENCE D  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
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 (1)
Common Stock					34,660	I	Trustee for Shares (2)
Common Stock					47,565	D	
Common Stock					6,500,000	I	Trustee for Shares (3)



## 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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