

FreightCar America, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
April 12, 2005

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

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **April 6, 2005**

**FREIGHTCAR AMERICA, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**000-51237**  
(Commission File Number)

**25-1837219**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification  
Number)

**Two North Riverside Plaza, Suite 1250**  
**Chicago, Illinois**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**60606**  
(Zip Code)

**(800) 458-2235**

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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**Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

On April 11, 2005, S. Mark Ray resigned from the board of directors of FreightCar America, Inc. (the Company), effective as of that date.

On April 6, 2005, S. Carl Soderstrom, Jr. and Robert N. Tidball were appointed to the board of directors of the Company in connection with the Company's listing on the Nasdaq National Market. Each of Messrs. Soderstrom and Tidball was appointed to the Company's Audit Committee, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and Compensation Committee.

Prior to joining the Company's board of directors, Mr. Soderstrom was employed by ArvinMeritor, Inc. and its predecessor companies from 1986 to 2004 and served as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of ArvinMeritor, Inc. from July 2001 to December 2004. He also held several senior management positions in engineering, quality and procurement at ArvinMeritor, Inc. from February 1998 to July 2001. Prior to joining ArvinMeritor, Inc., Mr. Soderstrom was employed by General Electric Company and the ALCO Controls division of Emerson Electric. Mr. Soderstrom is a member of the board of directors of Lydall, Inc. and serves as a member of the Audit Committee and Chairman of the Corporate Governance Committee of Lydall, Inc.

Prior to joining the Company's board of directors, Mr. Tidball was the President, CEO and a director of PLM International, Inc. from 1989 to January 2001, after which he retired. From 1986 to 1989, Mr. Tidball served in other senior executive positions at PLM International, Inc.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**FreightCar America, Inc.**

Date: April 12, 2005

By: /s/ Kevin P. Bagby  
Name: Kevin P. Bagby  
Title: Chief Financial Officer