

HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC  
 Form 4  
 April 21, 2006

**FORM 4**

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

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 if no longer  
 subject to  
 Section 16.  
 Form 4 or  
 Form 5  
 obligations  
 may continue.  
 See Instruction  
 1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 COSAERT JOHN P

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)  
  
  
 (Street)  
  
  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/19/2006  
  
 4. If Amendment, Date Original  
 Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT  
  
 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
 Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting  
 Person

**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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
COMMON STOCK	04/19/2006	04/19/2006	S	1,200	D	\$ 24.96	49,609	D
COMMON STOCK	04/19/2006	04/19/2006	S	1,590	D	\$ 24.95	48,019	D
COMMON STOCK	04/19/2006	04/19/2006	S	2,197	D	\$ 24.93	45,822	D
COMMON STOCK	04/19/2006	04/19/2006	S	1,013	D	\$ 24.94	44,809	D
COMMON STOCK							6,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	D

