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FORM 4

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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 *
 Escherich Frederic A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE ADAMS EXPRESS
 COMPANY, 7 SAINT PAUL
 STREET

(Street)

BALTIMORE, MD 21202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Common Stock | 12/31/2012 | | J | V 466.91 (1) | A \$ 0 (1) (2) | 10,299.931 (2) | D |
| Common Stock | 01/02/2013 | | A | 602.69 (3) | A \$ 10.785 | 10,902.621 | D |

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 Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Escherich Frederic A THE ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY 7 SAINT PAUL STREET BALTIMORE, MD 21202 | | X | | |

Signatures

Frederic A. Escherich 01/03/2013

__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).
- Of these shares, 422.91 shares were acquired in exempt transactions as a result of dividend reinvestment. An additional 44 shares accrued
- (1) as dividend equivalents on 750 restricted stock units which vested on March 22, 2012. The issuers stock traded in a range of \$9.75 - \$11.57 during 2012.
 - (2) The undersigned disclaims beneficial ownership of 2500 shares which are held by the undersigned's spouse.
 - (3) Represents deferred stock units received in lieu of director retainer fees at the election of the reporting person. Each deferred stock unit represents the right to receive one share of common stock.

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