GERDIN RUSSELL A

Form 4

October 27, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations

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

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GERDIN RUSSELL A

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC

[HTLD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/04/2010

901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE

(Middle)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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_X__ 10% Owner _X_ Director _X__ Officer (give title _ __ Other (specify below)

Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person

X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - No	on-I	Derivative Sec	urities	Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				ed (A)	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	4)	
Common Stock	10/04/2010		J <u>(4)</u>	V	2,004,238	D	\$0	27,291,103	I (1)	By Trust	
Common Stock	10/04/2010		<u>J(4)</u>	V	2,043,111	D	\$0	25,247,992	I (1)	By Trust	
Common Stock	10/11/2010		J <u>(4)</u>	V	2,288,451	D	\$0	22,959,541	I (1)	By Trust	
Common Stock	10/25/2010		J <u>(4)</u>	V	1,128,930	D	\$0	21,830,611	I (1)	By Trust	
Common Stock	10/04/2010		J <u>(4)</u>	V	2,004,238	A	\$0	2,137,321	I (2)	By Trust	

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Common Stock	10/04/2010	<u>J(4)</u>	V	2,043,111	A	\$ 0	4,180,432	I (2)	By Trust
Common Stock	10/11/2010	J(4)	V	1,917,424	A	\$0	6,097,856	I (2)	By Trust
Common Stock	10/25/2010	J(4)	V	937,288	A	\$0	7,035,144	I (2)	By Trust
Common Stock							1,936,276	I (3)	By GFI, LP

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.		5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transa	ectio	nNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code		of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative					Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)	
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						(A) or					
						Disposed					
						of (D)					
						(Instr. 3,					
						4, and 5)					
										A	
										Amount	
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							Exercisable	Date	Title	Number	
				G 1		(A) (D)				of	
				Code	V	(A) (D)				Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships			
Troporting & When I wante, I wanted	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GERDIN RUSSELL A 901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317	X	X	Chief Executive Officer			
Gerdin Ann S 901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317				spouse		

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Signatures

/s/Russell A. 10/27/2010 Gerdin

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

/s/Ann S. Gerdin 10/27/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares held by grantor retained annuity trusts for the benefit of the spouse of the reporting person. Mr. Gerdin serves as trustee with respect to each trust.
- (2) Shares owned by the revocable trusts of the reporting person and his spouse over which the reporting person and his spouse serve as trustees for their respective trusts.
- Gerdin Family Investments, LP (the "GFI") owns a voting trust certificate representing 1,936,276 shares of Heartland Express, Inc. common stock. Mr. and Mrs. Gerdin are general partners of GFI. Although the entire number of shares controlled by GFI is disclosed herein (as permitted by SEC rules), Mr. and Mrs. Gerdin disclaim beneficial ownership of shares in excess of the number attributable to their ownership interest. Mr. and Mrs. Gerdin are not voting trustees and have no power to vote the shares in which GFI has an interest.
- Annuity distributions of 7,464,730 shares were made from grantor retained annuity trusts for the benefit of Ann Gerdin. Distributions of 6,902,061 shares were distributed to the revocable trust of Mrs. Gerdin and 562,669 remainder shares were distributed to the 2007 Gerdin Heartland Trust.

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