

COVENANT TRANSPORT INC
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Acuff Jeffery D		(Month/Day/Year)	COVENANT TRANSPORT INC [CVTI]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
400 BIRMINGHAM HIGHWAY			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) VP & General Manager	
CHATTANOOGA,Â TNÂ 37419			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Class A common stock	5,882 ⁽¹⁾	I	401(k)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of			

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) Class A common stock	05/17/2004	05/17/2011	Class A common stock	3,500	\$ 16.79	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) Class A common stock	05/16/2005	05/16/2012	Class A common stock	3,000	\$ 15.39	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) Class A common stock	08/31/2005	05/22/2013	Class A common stock	3,000	\$ 17.63	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) Class A common stock	08/31/2005	05/27/2014	Class A common stock	3,000	\$ 15.71	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right-to-Buy) Class A common stock	05/10/2005	05/10/2015	Class A common stock	3,000	\$ 13.64	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Acuff Jeffery D 400 BIRMINGHAM HIGHWAY CHATTANOOGA, TN 37419	Â	Â	Â VP & General Manager	Â

Signatures

/s/ Jeffery D. Acuff, by Heidi Hornung-Scherr, attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a Power of Attorney filed herewith

03/06/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

The number of shares beneficially owned following the reported transaction is equal to the reporting person's March 3, 2006 account (1) balance, the latest available under the plan, in the employer stock fund under the issuer's 401(k) Plan divided by the closing price on March 3, 2006. The fund is unitized and as such does not itself allocate a specific number of shares to each participant.

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