

JOHNSON ROBERT L/AZ  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
JOHNSON ROBERT L/AZ

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC  
[KNX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/24/2005

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

PHOENIX, AZ 85043

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/24/2005		M		1,500	A	\$ 12.6667
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/24/2005		M		2,250	A	\$ 7.3333
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/24/2005		M		2,813	A	\$ 4.2777
					6,800		D
					9,050		D
					11,863		D

value  
\$0.01 per  
share

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.6667 <sup>(1)</sup>	10/24/2005		M	1,500	06/05/2005 06/04/2012	Common Stock	1,500
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.3333 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/24/2005		M	2,250	09/18/2005 09/17/2011	Common Stock	2,250
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.2777 <sup>(3)</sup>	10/24/2005		M	2,813	10/13/2005 10/13/2010	Common Stock	2,813

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JOHNSON ROBERT L/AZ 5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD				Controller

PHOENIX, AZ 85043

## Signatures

/s/ Robert L.

Johnson

10/25/2005

\_\_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).
- (1) An option was granted on June 5, 2002, at an exercise price of \$12.6667 per share.
- (2) This option is subject to a vesting schedule. 2,250 shares vested on September 18, 2005, at an exercise price of \$7.3333, with the remaining to vest on September 18, 2006.
- (3) This option is subject to a vesting schedule. The remaining 2,813 shares vested on October 13, 2005, at an exercise price of \$4.2777.

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