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> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 27, 2005

FORWARD AIR CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) Tennessee 000-22490 _____ (State or other (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer jurisdiction of incorporation) Identification No.) 430 Airport Road Greeneville, Tennessee 37745 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (423) 636-7000

Not Applicable _____ (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- |_| Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- $\left| { _ } \right|$ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

Forward Air Corporation issued a press release, dated July 27, 2005, announcing that its Board of Directors declared the Company's third quarterly cash dividend of \$0.06 per share of common stock. The cash dividend will be paid on September 2, 2005 to shareholders of record at the close of business on August 19, 2005. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information in this report and the exhibit hereto may contain "forward-looking statements," as defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements are statements other than historical information or statements of current condition and relate to future events or our future financial performance. Some forward-looking statements may be identified by use of such terms as "believes," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "estimates," "projects" or "expects." Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. The following is a list of factors, among others, that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements: economic factors such as recessions, inflation, higher interest rates and downturns in customer business cycles, our inability to maintain our historical growth rate because of a decreased volume of freight moving through our network or decreased average revenue per pound of freight moving through our network, increasing competition and pricing pressure, surplus inventories, loss of a major customer, the creditworthiness of our customers and their ability to pay for services rendered, our ability to secure terminal facilities in desirable locations at reasonable rates, the inability of our information systems to handle an increased volume of freight moving through our network, changes in fuel prices, claims for property damage, personal injuries or workers' compensation, employment matters including rising health care costs, enforcement of and changes in governmental regulations, environmental and tax matters, the handling of hazardous materials, the availability and compensation of qualified independent owner-operators and freight handlers needed to serve our transportation needs and our inability to successfully integrate acquisitions. As a result of the foregoing, no assurance can be given as to future financial condition, cash flows or results of operations. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

SECTION 9. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

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99.1 Press Release of Forward Air Corporation dated July 27, 2005.

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SIGNATURES

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FORWARD AIR CORPORATION

Date: July 27, 2005 By: /s/ Matthew J. Jewell

Matthew J. Jewell

Senior Vice President, General Counsel

and Secretary

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