GERDIN RUSSELL A

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GERDIN RUSSELL A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC [HTLD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 901 NORTH	(First)	(Middle) VENUE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2010	_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person		
NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317				_X_ 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
_			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	12/13/2010		J <u>(4)</u>	V	221,554	D	\$0	21,609,057	I (1)	By Trust	
Common Stock	01/18/2011		J <u>(4)</u>	V	226,532	D	\$0	21,382,525	I (1)	By Trust	
Common Stock	12/13/2010		J <u>(4)</u>	V	221,554	A	\$0	7,256,698	I (2)	By Trust	
Common Stock	01/18/2011		J <u>(4)</u>	V	226,532	A	\$0	7,483,230	I (2)	By Trust	
Common Stock								1,936,276	I (3)	By GFI, LP	

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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	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities	3		(Instr.	3 and 4)	
	Security				Acquired					
					(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
									Amount	
						Date	Expiration		or	
						Exercisable	Date		Number	
									of	
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE X X Chief Executive Officer

NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317

Gerdin Ann S

901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE spouse

NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317

Signatures

/s/Russell A. Gerdin 01/31/2011

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

/s/Ann S. Gerdin 01/31/2011

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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).

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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.
- (4) Annuity distributions of 448,086 shares were made from grantor retained annuity trusts for the benefit of Ann Gerdin. These shares were distributed to the revocable trust of Mrs. Gerdin.

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