

Shelly Craig Stephen
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Shelly Craig Stephen

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 3200 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD
 (Street)

VAN BUREN, AR 72956

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 USA TRUCK INC [USAK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 08/02/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, Corporate Strategy

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/02/2010		A	209 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 0	26,716 ⁽³⁾	D	

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)

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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)
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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.49	08/02/2010		A		556		08/01/2011 ⁽²⁾	08/01/2016 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	556

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Shelly Craig Stephen 3200 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD VAN BUREN, AR 72956			VP, Corporate Strategy	

Signatures

/s/ Craig S. Shelly, by Clifton R. Beckham, attorney-in-fact pursuant to a Power of Attorney filed herewith 08/04/2010

__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) The grant of Restricted Stock will vest in annual increments of one-third beginning August 1, 2011 and continuing through and including August 1, 2013.
- (2) The stock option shares will vest in annual increments of one-third beginning on August 1, 2011 and continuing through and including August 1, 2013. The stock option shares expire in annual increments of one-third beginning on August 1, 2014 and continuing through and including August 1, 2016.
- (3) The amount includes shares purchased by the reporting person from the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan that have not been previously reported.

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