

Beauchamp Richard B  
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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 \*  
 Beauchamp Richard B

(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)  
 05/03/2006

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)

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)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D S (I)
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Derivative Security			Code	V	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
					(A)	(D)				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.93	05/03/2006	A		1,500		05/03/2007	05/03/2008	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.93	05/03/2006	A		1,500		05/03/2008	05/03/2009	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.93	05/03/2006	A		1,500		05/03/2009	05/03/2010	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.93	05/03/2006	A		1,500		05/03/2010	05/03/2011	Common Stock	1,500

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Beauchamp Richard B  
3200 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD  
VAN BUREN, AR 72956

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## Signatures

Craig S. Shelly,  
Attorney-in-fact

05/05/2006

\*\*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).

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