Palomarez Javier Alberto Form 3 July 26, 2017 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB APPROVAL FORM 3 Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB 3235-0104 Number: January 31, **INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF** Expires: 2005 **SECURITIES** Estimated average burden hours per Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 0.5 response... Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Palomarez Javier Alberto	 Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FORWARD AIR CORP [FWRD]				
(Last) (First) (Middle)	07/24/2017	4. Relationship of Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
1915 SNAPPS FERRY ROAD, BUILDING N		(Check all a	pplicable)			
(Street)		XDirector Officer (give title below) (s	10% Owner Other specify below)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
GREENEVILLE, TN 37745						
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned					
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)	Owned Ow For Dire or I (I)	nership Owne	•		
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Table II - Derivative Security	rities Beneficially Owned (e	.g., puts, calls, war	rants, options, c	onvertible securities)		

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Expirati Exercisable Date	Expiration	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or	Derivative S Security I	Derivative Security: Direct (D)	
		Date		Number of Shares		or Indirect (I)	

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Palomarez Javier Alberto 1915 SNAPPS FERRY ROAD BUILDING N GREENEVILLE, TN 37745	ÂX	Â	Â	Â				
Signatures								
/s/ Michael P. McLean, Attorney-in-Fact	07/26/2017							
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person		Date						
Explanation of Responses:								

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No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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