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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Ritter Greg

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

05/24/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC [KNX]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

Director

_X__ Officer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Other

(give title below) (specify below) Pres., Knight Brokerage, LLC 6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

PHOENIX. AZÂ 85043

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

Date Exercisable Expiration Date

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Price of Derivative Security

4.

5. Conversion Ownership or Exercise Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Amount or Title Number of Shares

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	05/19/2008(1)	05/18/2015	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	15,000	\$ 16.62	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	05/24/2009(2)	05/23/2016	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10,000	\$ 18.44	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Ritter Greg 5601 WEST BUCKEYE ROAD	Â	Â	Pres., Knight Brokerage,	Â	
PHOENIX, AZ 85043			LLC		

Signatures

/s/ Greg Ritter	06/05/2006		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) This option will vest in equal shares of 3,000 on May 19, 2008, May 19, 2009, May 19, 2010, May 19, 2011 and May 19, 2012
- (2) This option will vest in twenty percent (20%) increments per year starting on May 24, 2009.

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