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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

obligations may continue. See Instruction

See Instruction

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Stock

Stock

Common

11/12/2010

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A	Symbol	CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
<i>(</i> 7										
(Last)	(First)		of Earliest T	ransaction						
8515 ATAS	`	(Month/Day/Year) 11/12/2010				Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & COO				
	4. If Am	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
HUMBLE,	TX 77346	Filed(Mo	onth/Day/Yea	r)		-	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit our Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (Price	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common	11/12/2010		M	50,000	A	\$ 1 1875	216,085	D		

21,822

(1)

D

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

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1.1875

\$ 5.09

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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 Derivati Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)			Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	s \$ 1.1875	11/12/2010		M		50,000	12/22/2000	12/22/2010	Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DODDS JAY D 8515 ATASCOCITA LAKE WAY HUMBLE, TX 77346

EVP & COO

Signatures

/s/ Jay D. Dodds 11/15/2010

**Signature of Person 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).
- (1) Represents 21,822 shares witheld on November 12, 2010 to cover the exercise price and taxes associated with the exercise of options previously granted to the Reporting Person under the Carriage Services 1995 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) Of the 59,443 beneficially owned stock options, 20,000 are fully vested and 39,443 are unvested. These unvested options were granted on 5/18/2010 and will vest annually on 5/18/2011, 5/18/2012 and 5/18/2013 in 33 1/3 increments.

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