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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

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Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GERDIN MICHAEL J		ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC [HTLD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 901 NORTH	(First) KANSAS A	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2017	_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title _X_ Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer / Co-Trustee of 10% Owner		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)		

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner							
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. Securitie (A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4)	osed o	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/19/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	666,340	D	\$0	15,997,106	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	01/19/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	453,225	D	\$0	15,543,881	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	01/19/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	666,340	A	\$0	5,585,627	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (3)
Common Stock	01/19/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	453,225	A	\$0	6,038,852	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (3)

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Common Stock	08/08/2017	Â	G	8,040	D	\$0	6,030,812	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (3)
Common Stock	08/08/2017	Â	G	2,680	A	\$ 0	38,424	I	Trustee of Trusts (4)
Common Stock	08/18/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	354,316	D	\$ 0	15,189,565	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	08/18/2017	Â	<u>G(1)</u>	600,739	D	\$ 0	14,588,826	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	08/18/2017	Â	<u>G(1)</u>	354,316	A	\$ 0	6,385,128	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (3)
Common Stock	08/18/2017	Â	<u>G(1)</u>	600,739	A	\$ 0	5,999,553	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (5)
Common Stock	08/22/2017	Â	<u>G(1)</u>	333,519	D	\$ 0	14,255,307	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	08/22/2017	Â	<u>G(1)</u>	686,580	D	\$ 0	13,568,727	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	08/22/2017	Â	<u>G(1)</u>	333,519	A	\$ 0	6,718,647	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (3)
Common Stock	08/22/2017	Â	<u>G(1)</u>	686,580	A	\$ 0	6,686,133	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (5)
Common Stock	11/30/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	328,718	D	\$ 0	13,240,009	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	11/30/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	807,984	D	\$ 0	12,432,025	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	11/30/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	328,718	A	\$ 0	7,047,365	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (3)
Common Stock	11/30/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	807,984	A	\$ 0	7,494,117	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (5)
Common Stock	12/07/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	770,194	D	\$ 0	11,661,831	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	12/07/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	524,973	D	\$ 0	11,136,858	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	12/07/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	379,845	D	\$ 0	10,757,013	I	Trustee of GRATs (2)
Common Stock	12/07/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	770,194	A	\$ 0	7,817,559	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (3)
Common Stock	12/07/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	524,973	A	\$ 0	8,342,532	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (3)
Common Stock	12/07/2017	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	379,845	A	\$ 0	8,722,377	I	Co-Trustee of Trust (3)
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Common Stock									Co-Trustee of Trust (6)
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	1,936,276	I	Co-General Partner of Partnership
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	681,124	D	Â
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned $(e.g., \, {\rm puts}, \, {\rm calls}, \, {\rm warrants}, \, {\rm options}, \, {\rm convertible} \, {\rm securities})$

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		ate	Amou Unde Secur	rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D S6 B0
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					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GERDIN MICHAEL J 901 NORTH KANSAS AVENUE NORTH LIBERTY, IA 52317	ÂX	ÂX	Chief Executive Officer	Co-Trustee of 10% Owner				
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Signatures

/S/Michael J. Gerdin	02/13/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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- * 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) Annuity distributions made from grantor retained annuity trusts (GRATs) created for the benefit of Ann Gerdin.
- (2) Mr. Gerdin is the trustee of GRATs established by Ann S. Gerdin for her benefit. As trustee, Mr. Gerdin has sole voting and dispositive power over the shares owned by these GRATs.
- Mr. Gerdin, Julie Durr, Angela Janssen, and Mrs. Gerdin serve as co-trustees over shares held by the Ann S. Gerdin Revocable Trust. As co-trustees, they have shared voting and dispositive powers with respect to this trust. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed for Mr. Gerdin, Mrs. Durr, and Mrs. Janssen.
- (4) Mr. Gerdin is the trustee of trusts created for the benefit of his children. As trustee, Mr. Gerdin has voting and dispositive powers with respect to this trust. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed.
 - Mr. Gerdin is one of the beneficiaries of the 2009 Gerdin Heartland Trust. Remainder interests were distributed from grantor retained annuity trusts created for the benefit of Mrs. Gerdin to the 2009 Gerdin Heartland Trust. The two other beneficiaries of the 2009 Gerdin
- (5) Heartland Trust, Mrs. Durr and Mrs. Janssen, also reported the distribution of the remainder interests. Mr. Gerdin, Mrs. Durr, and Mrs. Janssen serve as co-trustees over shares held by the trust. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed with respect to this trust because none of the trustees have the power to vote or dispose shares without consent of the other two trustees.
- Mr. Gerdin is one of the beneficiaries of the 2007 Gerdin Heartland Trust. Mr. Gerdin, Mrs. Durr, and Mrs. Janssen serve as co-trustees over shares held by the trust. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed with respect to this trust because none of the trustees have the power to vote or dispose shares without the consent of the other two trustees.
- The Ann S. Gerdin Revocable Trust, Mr. Gerdin, Mrs. Durr, and Mrs. Janssen are co-general partners of Gerdin Family Investments LP.

 None of the Ann S. Gerdin Revocable Trust, Mr. Gerdin, Mrs. Durr, or Mrs. Janssen has voting and dispositive powers with respect to this partnership without consent of the majority of the other co-general partners. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed except to the extent of each such reporting person's percentage ownership of general and limited partner shares in the partnership.

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