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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Leahy Katie			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	•			
109 FLAT ROCK PASTURES (Street) CRAMERTON, NC 28032			(Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2010	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title X Other (specibelow) Regional Partner			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(State)

(City)

(Zip)

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecuriti	ies Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transactio	4. SecuritionAcquired Disposed	(A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
, ,		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, 4	(A) or	5) Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/18/2010(1)		A	9,205	A	\$0	66,682	D	

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

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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. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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
Stock Options	\$ 4.78	05/18/2010		A	19,283	(2)	05/18/2020	Common Stock	19,283

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Leahy Katie

109 FLAT ROCK PASTURES CRAMERTON, NC 28032

Regional Partner

Signatures

/s/ Katie Leahy 05/20/2010

**Signature of 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).
- (1) Restricted Stock grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vest 1/3 on 5/18/2011, 1/3 on 5/18/2012 and 1/3 on 5/18/2013.
- Stock Options grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vest 1/3 on 5/18/2011, 1/3 on 5/18/2012 and 1/3 on 5/18/2013. These stock options expire on 5/18/2020.

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