

COVENANT TRANSPORTATION GROUP INC
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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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, 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 *
 LOVIN RALPH H JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 400 BIRMINGHAM HIGHWAY
 (Street)

CHATTANOOGA, TN 37419

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 COVENANT TRANSPORTATION GROUP INC [CVTI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/18/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive VP and Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Class A Common Stock | 05/18/2016 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | | 2,876 ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$ 0 |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 3,900 ⁽²⁾ | I | 401(k) |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | 2,325 ⁽³⁾ | I ⁽³⁾ | By grandchildren under custody agreement ⁽³⁾ |

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

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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 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 (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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LOVIN RALPH H JR 400 BIRMINGHAM HIGHWAY CHATTANOOGA, TN 37419 | | | Executive VP and Secretary | |

Signatures

/s/ Ralph H. Lovin, Jr., by Heidi Hornung-Scherr, attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a POA previously filed with the SEC

05/20/2016

__Signature of Reporting 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) Represents a restricted stock award under the Third Amended and Restated Omnibus Incentive Plan. The award is subject to certain vesting and forfeiture provisions.
The number of shares beneficially owned following the reported transaction is equal to the reporting person's May 18, 2016, account balance in the employer stock fund under the issuer's 401(k) plan, divided by the closing price on May 18, 2016. The plan is unitized and as such does not itself allocate a specific number of shares to each participant.
- (3) The shares are held as custodian for minor grandchildren. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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