

NEFF W PERRY  
Form 5  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NEFF W PERRY  
  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

7 ST PAUL STREET, STE 1140  
  
(Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2004

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
  
(check applicable line)

BALTIMORE, MD 21202  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock                    | 12/31/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>            |  | J                              | 433 A \$ <sup>(1)</sup> 6,593                                     |  | D  |                                   |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------|---|------------------------|------------------------|----|
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Security (Instr. 5) | D     |                            |
|---------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|--|---------------------|-------|----------------------------|
|                     |  |                      |                 | (A)   | (D)              | Date Exercisable                       | Expiration Date     | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NEFF W PERRY<br>7 ST PAUL STREET<br>STE 1140<br>BALTIMORE, MD 21202 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

W. Perry Neff                      02/03/2005  
 \_\_Signature of                      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) Reflects exempt acquisitions as a result of dividend reinvestment.

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