

HEARTLAND EXPRESS INC  
Form 8-K  
February 13, 2012

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):  
February 10, 2012  
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HEARTLAND EXPRESS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Nevada<br>(State of other Jurisdiction<br>of Incorporation) | 000-15087<br>(Commission<br>File Number) | 93-0926999<br>(IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |
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| 901 NORTH KANSAS AVE, NORTH LIBERTY, IA<br>(Address of Principal Executive Offices) | 52317<br>(Zip Code) |
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(319) 626-3600  
Registrant's Telephone Number (including area code):

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01. OTHER EVENTS

On February 10, 2012 Heartland Express, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors approved a change to the Company's share repurchase program. Effective February 10, 2012 the amount of shares authorized for repurchase is 5,000,000 shares. The repurchase authorization does not have an expiration date and may be suspended or discontinued at any time without prior notice. A copy of the press release issued by the Company is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

The Exhibit listed on the Exhibit Index accompanying Form 8-K is furnished herewith.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

HEARTLAND EXPRESS, INC.

Date: February 10, 2012

By: /s/ John P. Cosaert  
John P. Cosaert  
Executive Vice President - Finance,  
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

| EXHIBIT<br>NUMBER | EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION                                                                                                           |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 99.1              | Press release issued by the Company on February 10, 2012, announcing changes to the Company's stock repurchase authorization. |