LENAGH THOMAS H

Form 5

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See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LENAGH THOMAS H			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2009	(Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specif					
7 ST. PAUL 1140	STREET,Â	SUITE		below) below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)			

BALTIMORE, MDÂ 21202

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

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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) (A) or	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)	
				Amount (D) Price	(Ilisti. 3 alid 4)			
Common Stock	12/31/2009	Â	J	$283 \frac{(1)}{(1)} A \frac{\$ 0}{(1)}$	8,390	D	Â	

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

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Number	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		
	Security				Acquired						
					(A) or						
					Disposed						
					of (D)						
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration		Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
					(A) (D)				Shares		
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
F-	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe			
LENAGH THOMAS H							
7 ST. PAUL STREET	ÂΧ	Â	â	â			
SUITE 1140	АЛ	A	A	A			
BALTIMORE, MD 21202							

Signatures

Thomas H.
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**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) These shares were acquired in exempt transactions as a result of dividend reinvestment. The Issuer's stock traded in a range of \$6.06-\$10.28 during 2009.

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