### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  ZOLLARS WILLIAM D  |   |  |  |  |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  YELLOW ROADWAY CORP [ YELL ] |   |     |  |                 |   |  |       |  |                                   |   | ationship<br>call appl<br>Direct          | •  |   | rson(s) to Iss<br>10% O  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|---|---|-----|--|-----------------|---|--|-------|--|-----------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 10990 ROE AVENUE   |   |  |  |  |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/13/2005               |   |     |  |                 |   |  |       |  |                                   |   | below                                     |  |   | Other (sbelow) Pres. & CE  |  |
| (Street) OVERL PARK (City)   | K   | S<br>tate)                                 | 4. 1   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |  |   |   |     |  |                 |   |  |       |  | Form<br>Form                      | ual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |  |   |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |   |  |  |  |  |   |   |     |  |                 |   |  |       |  |                                   |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans. Date (Month/I   |   |  |  |  |  | ar) E   | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |     | Code (Instr.   |                 |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4<br>5) |       |  |                                   | and Securit<br>Benefic<br>Owned   |   | ies<br>ially<br>Following  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership                |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |   |   |     |  | Code            | v | Amount   | :     | (A) or<br>(D)  | Pric                              | e   | Reporte<br>Transac<br>(Instr. 3           | ction(s)   |   |  | (Instr. 4)   |
| Common Stock 07/13/  |   |  |  |  |  | 2005  |   |     |  | A               |   | 9,549(1)   |       | A  | \$5                               | 3.83  | 145,029                                   |  |   | D  |  |
| Common Stock   |   |  |  |  |  |   |   |     |  |                 |   |  |       |  |                                   |   | 126 <sup>(2)</sup>                        |  |   | I  | Through<br>401(k)<br>Plan  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |  |  |  |  |   |   |     |  |                 |   |  |       |  |                                   |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deem<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/Da | Date,  | 4.<br>Transactior<br>Code (Instr<br>8) |   |   |     | 6. Date Exercisa<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year |                 |   | An<br>Se<br>Un<br>De   |       | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Securi<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                   | De<br>Se<br>(In   | Price of<br>rivative<br>curity<br>str. 5) | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4) | у   | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |   |  |  |  | Code                                   | v   | (A)   | (D) | Dat<br>Exe   | te<br>ercisable |   | xpiration<br>ate   | Title |  | Amou<br>or<br>Numb<br>of<br>Share | er  |   |  |   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock  | (3)   |  |  |  |  |   |   |     |  | (3)             |   | (3)  |       | nmon<br>ock  | (3)                               |   |   | 272,325  |   | D  |  |

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The issuer granted the reporting person rights to receive shares of the issuer?s common stock, called performance share units, pursuant to the achievement of performance targets under a long-term incentive plan. After expiration of a holding period, the reporting person will receive one share of the issuer?s common stock for each vested performance unit. Fifty percent of the performance units vest on the third anniversary of their date of grant, and the remaining 50% vest on the sixth anniversary of their date of grant. The issuer will not deliver any shares with respect to vested units until the earliest of the sixth anniversary from the date of grant, termination of the reporting person's employment with the issuer, retirement at age 65, death, disability or upon certain change of control events in respect of the issuer.
- 2. Total number of shares held by the reporting person on a unitized basis as of July 14, 2005 under the Yellow Roadway Corporation Retirement Savings Plan.
- 3. No reportable transaction.

### Remarks:

07/15/2005 /s/ William D. Zollars

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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