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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Instruction 1(b).

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	1 0	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>YELLOW ROADWAY CORP</u> [ YELL ]		tionship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director	erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner
(Last) (First) 10990 ROE AVENUE		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/15/2004		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)
(Street) OVERLAND PARK (City)	KS (State)	66211 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th Person	eporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130. 4)
Common Stock	07/15/2004		A		372	Α	\$40.35	11,751	D	
Common Stock	07/15/2004		Α		1,500 <sup>(1)</sup>	Α	\$40.35	13,251	D	

# 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)	if any 🤺		ransaction Derivative ode (Instr. Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock Option	\$36.35	07/15/2004		D			2,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	07/02/2004	01/02/2009	Common Stock	2,000	\$36.35	8,534	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. The issuer granted the reporting person share units that will vest in 500 unit increments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

2. The reporting person surrendered to the issuer 2,000 options granted by the issuer on January 2, 2004. The options have been canceled.

#### **Remarks:**

/s/ Howard M. Dean

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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