### TRUTA JOSEPH M

Form 4 March 01, 2006

# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

OMB Number: 3235-0287

Expires: January 31, 2005

0.5

**OMB APPROVAL** 

Estimated average burden hours per response...

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or

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

may continue.

See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Form 5

obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TRUTA JOSEPH M			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
7 ST PAUL STREET, STE 1140			02/28/2006	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
BALTIMORE	c, MD 21202		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired tion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned Indirect (I) Ownersh		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/28/2006		M	7,642	. ,	\$ 9.045	7,642	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2006		D	7,642	D	\$ 13.07	225,741	I	Direct and Indirect (1)

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

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SEC 1474

(9-02)

#### Edgar Filing: TRUTA JOSEPH M - Form 4

# 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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option w/tandem SARs	\$ 9.045	02/28/2006		M	7,642	01/01/2005	12/12/2006	Common Stock	7,642
Stock option w/tandem SARs	\$ 9.045	02/28/2006		Н	7,642	01/01/2005	12/12/2006	Common Stock	7,642

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Tre por ting o miner i taline / iraar ess	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TRUTA JOSEPH M 7 ST PAUL STREET STE 1140

President

BALTIMORE, MD 21202

# **Signatures**

Joseph M. Truta 03/01/2006

\*\*Signature of 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).

This number reflects 8759 shars held directly as of 1/12/2006. This number also includes 199,336 shares held indirectly by the Issuer's (1) Thrift Plan Trust (based on information as of 12/31/2005) and 17,646 shares held indirectly by Petroleum & Resources Corporation's Thrift Plan Trust (based on information as of 12/31/2005).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

Reporting Owners 2