

KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION INC

Form 8-K

March 20, 2014

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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):

March 14, 2014

KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION, INC.

(Exact name or registrant as specified in its charter)

Arizona

001-32396

86-0649974

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

20002 North 19th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ

85043

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(602) 269-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 5.02(e) Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On March 14, 2014, the Compensation Committee (the “Compensation Committee”) of the Board of Directors of Knight Transportation, Inc. (the “Company”) granted its named executive officers and other participants restricted stock units (“RSUs”) under the Company’s 2012 Equity Compensation Plan (the “2012 Plan”). The RSUs are tentative and subject to adjustment based on the Company’s performance. The RSU grants were made under a new policy adopted by the Compensation Committee intended to align performance goals for equity grants with the Company’s long-term growth and revenue objectives. Participants receive a grant of RSUs based on a compensation target established by the Committee after taking into account competitive compensation factors which is then divided by the market value of the Company’s stock as of the date of grant. The number of shares of Common Stock ultimately deliverable to participants will vary based on the Company’s performance for a three-year performance period against the metrics established by the Compensation Committee. The initial performance period began on January 1, 2014 and runs through December 31, 2016. The awards vest and shares are deliverable to each participant on the second January 31st following the expiration of the performance period. RSU grants made to the Company’s named executive officers were:

| Name | Position | Tentative RSU Award |
|--------------|--|---------------------------|
| Kevin Knight | Chief Executive Officer | 66,342 |
| Keith Knight | Chief Operating Officer | 17,691 |
| Dave Jackson | President | 8,846 |
| Adam Miller | Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer | 5,529 |

SIGNATURE

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

KNIGHT TRANSPORTATION, INC.

Dated: March 20, 2014 /s/ Adam W. Miller
Adam W. Miller, Chief Financial Officer