LEWIS GARRY R
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LEWIS GARRY R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

USA TRUCK INC, 3200 INDUSTRIAL PARK RD

(Street)

VAN BUREN, AR 72956

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
USA TRUCK INC [USAK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/28/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Exec VP and COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ 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. 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)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	01/28/2009(1)		A		0 (1)	A	(1)	74,466 (1)	D	

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

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities 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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy) Common Stock	(2)	01/28/2009(2)		A		0 (2)		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	0 (2)	$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEWIS GARRY R USA TRUCK INC 3200 INDUSTRIAL PARK RD VAN BUREN, AR 72956			Exec VP and COO	

Signatures

Darron R. Ming, Attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a POA previously filed	01/30/2009
**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) On January 28, 2009, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors approved the USA Truck, Inc. Executive Team Incentive Plan ("Plan") which granted the Reporting Person the right to acquire Restricted Stock of the Company. The initial award granted under this Plan will be determined based upon the market price of the Company's Common Stock on a future date. An amendment to this Form 4 will be filed once the quantity of the award has been determined.

(2) On January 28, 2009, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors approved the USA Truck, Inc. Executive Team Incentive Plan ("Plan") which granted the Reporting Person an option (right to buy) of the Company's Common Stock. The initial award granted under this Plan will be determined based upon the market price of the Company's Common Stock on a furture date. An amendment to this Form 4 will be filed once the exercise price and quantity of the award have been determined.

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