BROWER JAMES F JR

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BROWER JAMES F JR** Issuer Symbol **COVENANT TRANSPORTATION** (Check all applicable) **GROUP INC [CVTI]** (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 400 BIRMINGHAM HIGHWAY 03/31/2009 PRESIDENT OF SUBSIDIARY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CHATTANOOGA, TN 37419

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ies Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common Stock	03/31/2009		A(1)	0 (1) (2)	A	\$0	0 (3)	D	
Class A Common Stock							45,500 <u>(3)</u>	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ying	Security	Secui
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						Exercisable Date	of	Number			
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

BROWER JAMES F JR 400 BIRMINGHAM HIGHWAY CHATTANOOGA, TN 37419

PRESIDENT OF SUBSIDIARY

Signatures

/s/ James F. Brower, Jr., by Heidi Hornung-Scherr, attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a POA previously filed with the SEC

04/02/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Represents a restricted stock award under the 2006 Omnibus Incentive Plan, as such plan may be amended from time to time (the

Annual Meeting, to, among other things, make additional shares available for the grant of awards under the Incentive Plan. Subject to the preceding qualification, the shares subject to the award vest in one-third increments when and to the extent the issuer's Class A common stock trades at or above \$4.00, \$6.00, and \$8.00 for thirty consecutive trading days during the period beginning January 1, 2010, and ending December 31, 2011, subject to continued employment and the specific terms of the award notice.

"Incentive Plan"). This grant is void if the stockholders of the issuer do not approve an amendment to the Incentive Plan at the 2009

- The reporting person acquired an amount equal to approximately \$10,000, to be converted to shares based upon the closing price of the issuer's Class A common stock two full trading days following the public release of the issuer's first quarter 2009 earnings.
- Aggregate amount of securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction does not include the amount of securities that will (3) be acquired upon the conversion to shares of approximately \$10,000, based upon the closing price of the issuer's Class A common stock two full trading days following the public release of the issuer's first quarter 2009 earnings.

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