OBER DOUGLAS G Form 4

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FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **OBER DOUGLAS G** Issuer Symbol ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 7 ST PAUL STREET, STE 1140 07/23/2012 below) Chairman and CEO (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

BALTIMORE, MD 21202

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following Direct (D) Ownership Reported or Indirect (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 149,360.4297 S 07/23/2012 2.500 D D (1) Stock 10.619

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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
OBER DOUGLAS G 7 ST PAUL STREET STE 1140 BALTIMORE, MD 21202	X		Chairman and CEO					

Signatures

Douglas G. Ober

07/24/2012

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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Of these shares, 44,420.215 are held by the undersigned directly and include 188.81 shares that were acquired in exempt treansactions as a result of dividend reinvestment from January 1, 2012 to July 23, 2012. In addition, 104,940.2147 of these shares are held indirectly by the undersigned by the Issuer's Thrift Plan Trust and represent the undersigned's proportionate beneficial interest in such stock held in the Trust. Such number is based on information as of July 23, 2012. This number reflects periodic contributions made during 2012, shares acquired by the Trustee through dividend reinvestment in 2012, and changes in the number of shares previously reported due to fluctuations in the market price and interest in the Trust. The Issuer's stock traded in a range of \$9.79 - \$11.11 during the period.

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