

Prue Nancy J F
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Â Prue Nancy J F

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/23/2010

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

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

ADAMS EXPRESS
COMPANY,Â 7 SAINT PAUL
STREET

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer ___ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
Executive Vice President

BALTIMORE,Â MDÂ 21202

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

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 Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

5,146 ⁽¹⁾

D

Â

Common Stock

6,295

I

By Issuer's Thrift Plan Trust ⁽²⁾

Common Stock

8,092

I

By Petroleum & Resources
Corporation Thrift Plan Trust ⁽³⁾

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Stock options w/tandem SARs	01/11/2003	01/11/2011	Common Stock	1,428	\$ 0	D Â
Stock options w/tandem SARs	01/10/2004	01/10/2012	Common Stock	2,091	\$ 0	D Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Prue Nancy J F ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY 7 SAINT PAUL STREET BALTIMORE, MD 21202	Â	Â	Â Executive Vice President	Â

Signatures

Nancy J. F. Prue 03/25/2010

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Of these shares, 1,692 shares are held directly. 3,454 shares were granted as restricted stock of which, depending on meeting performance benchmarks, 910 shares vest in 2011, 1,095 shares vest in 2012, and 1,449 shares vest in 2013.

The number of shares reported as held by the Issuer's Thrift Plan Trust represents the undersigned's proportionate beneficial interest in
(2) such stock held in the Trust. Such number is based on information as of March 24, 2010, the most recent date such information is available.

The number of shares reported as held by Petroleum & Resource Corporation Thrift Plan Trust represents the undersigned's proportionate
(3) beneficial interest in such stock held in the Trust. Such number is based on information as of March 24, 2010, the most recent date such information is available.

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