

MARTEN RANDOLPH L  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 MARTEN RANDOLPH L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 MARTEN TRANSPORT LTD  
 [MRTN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 129 MARTEN STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/26/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chairman of the Board and CEO

MONDOVI, WI 54755

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (D) Price  |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/26/2012                           |  | A                              |   | 8.81 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 0 <sub>(2)</sub>   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/26/2012                           |  | A                              |   | 264.27 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 0 <sub>(2)</sub>   | 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) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                              | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| MARTEN RANDOLPH L<br>129 MARTEN STREET<br>MONDOVI, WI 54755 | X             | X         | Chairman of the Board and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ James J. Hinnendael,  
attorney-in-fact

12/26/2012

\_\_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) Represents dividend equivalent rights that accrued on December 26, 2012.

Includes: (i) 2,700 shares granted under a Performance Unit Award Agreement that vest on 12/31/2012 through 12/31/2014, (ii) 2,400 shares granted under a Performance Unit Award Agreement that vest on 12/31/2012 through 12/31/2015, (iii) 2,675 shares granted under a Performance Unit Award Agreement that vest on 12/31/2012 through 12/31/2016 and (iv) 6,693.05 shares that the reporting person has deferred under the Issuer's deferred compensation plan.

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