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#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) February 23, 2006

Universal Truckload Services, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

120510 (Commission File Number)

38-3640097 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

11355 Stephens Road, Warren, Michigan (Address of principal executive offices)

> 48089 (Zip Code)

(586) 920-0100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- [ ] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- [ ] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On February 23, 2006, Universal Services Truckload, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2005, a copy of which is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

#### ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits.

> Description Exhibit No.

> > Press Release dated February 23, 2006 announcing the Company's financial and operating results

for the Quarter and year ended December 31, 2005.

### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

UNIVERSAL TRUCKLOAD SERVICES, INC.

Date: February 24, 2006 /s/ Robert E. Sigler

Robert E. Sigler

Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer

## EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT

NUMBER

DESCRIPTION

99.1

Press Release dated February 23, 2006 announcing the Company's financial and operating results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2005.

UNIVERSAL TRUCKLOAD SERVICES, INC. REPORTS RECORD REVENUE AND NET INCOME FOR THE QUARTER & YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

WARREN, Mich., Feb. 23 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Universal Truckload Services, Inc. (Nasdaq: UACL) today announced record financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2005.

For the quarter ended December 31, 2005, operating revenues increased 29.0%, or \$33.1 million, to \$147.2 million from \$114.1 million for the quarter ended December 31, 2004. Included in operating revenues are fuel surcharges of \$14.2 million and \$5.6 million for the fourth quarters of 2005 and 2004, respectively. Net income increased 33.6%, or \$1.2 million, to \$4.7 million, or \$0.29 per share for the fourth quarter of 2005, from \$3.5 million, or \$0.35 per share, for the fourth quarter of 2004. Earnings per share in the fourth quarter of 2005 is computed based upon weighted average shares outstanding of 16,117,500 compared to 10,022,500 shares in the fourth quarter of 2004.

Universal's truckload revenue in the fourth quarter of 2005 increased by 27.3% to \$94.0 million from \$73.8 million in the corresponding period of 2004. Brokerage revenue in the fourth quarter of 2005 increased by 18.3% to \$36.7 million from \$31.0 million in the corresponding period of 2004. Intermodal revenue in the fourth quarter of 2005 increased by 78.8% to \$16.5 million from \$9.2 million in the corresponding period of 2004.

For the year ended December 31, 2005, operating revenues increased 46.8%, or \$169.3 million, to \$531.3 million from \$362.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2004. Included in operating revenues are fuel surcharges of \$36.7 million and \$12.4 million for 2005 and 2004, respectively. Net income increased 54.4%, or \$6.0 million, to \$17.2 million, or \$1.12 per share for 2005, from \$11.1 million, or \$1.11 per share for 2004. Earnings per share in 2005 is computed based upon weighted average shares outstanding of 15,371,780 compared to 10,022,500 shares in 2004. Great American Lines, Inc. and CrossRoad Carriers, Inc., which were acquired in August and November 2004, respectively, generated combined operating revenues of \$130.2 million and net income of \$4.1 million in 2005. Great American lines and CrossRoad Carriers, Inc. generated operating revenues of \$37.8 million and net income of \$1.3 million in 2004.

Universal's truckload revenue increased by 33.3% to \$332.2 million in 2005 from \$249.1 million in 2004. Brokerage revenue increased by 89.3% to \$147.1 million in 2005 from \$77.7 million in 2004. Intermodal revenue increased by 47.9% to \$52.0 million in 2005 from \$35.2 million in 2004.

"We are pleased with our continued path of record performance," states Universal's President and CEO, Don Cochran. "Truckload revenue for the year improved 33.3%, Brokerage revenue increased 89.3% and Intermodal grew by 47.9% all resulting in a significant improvement to net income. This performance can be attributed to the loyal and diligent support of our Owner Operators, Fleet Owners, Agent Associates and employees. Their conscientious dedication to provide quality service to our customers has enhanced our organic growth. In addition, the contributions of our strategic acquisitions have further complemented that performance."

Universal Truckload Services, Inc. is primarily a non-asset based provider of transportation services to shippers throughout the United States and in the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Quebec. The Company's trucking services include both flatbed and dry van operations and the Company provides rail- truck and steamship-truck intermodal support services. The Company also offers truck brokerage services.

Some of the statements contained in this press release might be considered forward-looking statements. These statements identify prospective information. Forward-looking statements are based on information available at the time and/or management's good faith belief with respect to future events, and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual performance or results to differ materially from those expressed in the statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from the expectations described. Additional information about the factors that may adversely affect these forward-looking statements is contained in the Company's reports and filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect actual results, changes in assumptions or changes in other factors affecting forward-looking information except to the extent required by applicable securities laws.

	Quarter Ended December 31,					Year Ended December 31,					
	2005		2004								
Operating revenues:											
Truckload	\$	93,994	\$	73,834	\$	332,178	\$	249,114			
Brokerage						147,132		77,726			
Intermodal		16,521		9,239		52,029					
Total operating											
revenues		147,241		114,109		531,339		362,016			
Operating expenses:											
Purchased											
transportation		113,469		85,285		406,367		269,687			
Commissions expense		10,017		7,974		34,678					
Other operating											
expense, net		1,508		1,679		6,596		5 <b>,</b> 268			
Selling, general,											
and administrative		9,388		8,974		37,354		27,640			
Insurance and claims		4,122		3,024		14,334		9,602			
Depreciation and											
amortization		1,178		1,200		4,344		3 <b>,</b> 913			
Total operating											
expenses		139,682		108,136		503,673		343,464			
Income from											
operations		7 <b>,</b> 559		5 <b>,</b> 973		27,666		18,552			
Interest income											
(expense), net		242		(378)		425		(777)			
Income before											
income taxes		7,801				28,091		17,775			
Provision for income taxes		3,147		2,112		10,924		6 <b>,</b> 657			
Net income	\$	4,654				17,167	\$	11,118			
Earnings per common share:											
Basic and diluted	\$	0.29	\$	0.35	\$	1.12	\$	1.11			
Average common shares outstanding:											
Basic and diluted		16,118		10,023		15,372		10,023			

# UNIVERSAL TRUCKLOAD SERVICES, INC. Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (In thousands)

	December 31,				
	 2005		2004		
Assets	 				
Cash and cash equivalents Marketable securities Accounts receivable - net Other current assets Total current assets Property and equipment - net Other long-term assets - net Total assets	\$ 14,356 72,032 11,109 107,939 34,800		23,831 12,851		
Liabilities and shareholders' equity (deficit) Total current liabilities Total long-term liabilities Total liabilities Total shareholders' equity (deficit) Total liabilities and shareholders' equity (deficit)	, -		. , ,		

## UNIVERSAL TRUCKLOAD SERVICES, INC. Summary of Operating Data (Unaudited)

	Quarter Ended December 31,				Year Ended December 31,				
		2005		2004		2005		2004	
Average number of tractors									
provided by owner-operators		0 404		0 074		0 275		0.010	
Truckload Intermodal		2,424 516		2,274 300		2 <b>,</b> 375 379		2,012 294	
Truckload Revenues:									
Average operating revenues									
per loaded mile (1)	\$	2.63	\$	2.19	\$	2.32	\$	1.99	
Average operating revenues									
per loaded mile,									
excluding fuel surcharges (1)	\$	2.29	\$	2.03	\$	2.10	\$	1.89	
Average operating revenues									
per load (1)	\$	1,017	\$	903	\$	908	\$	904	
Average operating revenues									
per load, excluding									
fuel surcharges (1)	\$	886	\$	835	\$	821	\$	861	
Average length of haul (1)(2)		387		412		392		455	
Number of loads (1)		92,394		81,763		365 <b>,</b> 441		275 <b>,</b> 695	
Brokerage Revenues:									
Average operating revenues									
per loaded mile (1)	\$	2.15	\$	1.78	\$	1.94	\$	1.67	
Average operating revenues									
per load (1)	\$	1,333	\$	1,161	\$	1,206	\$	990	
Average length of haul (1)(2)		619		651		622		592	
Number of loads (1)		20,544		22 <b>,</b> 679		88 <b>,</b> 235		73 <b>,</b> 758	
Intermodal Revenues:									
Drayage (in thousands)	\$	15 <b>,</b> 188	\$	8,281	\$	46,695	\$	31,262	
Depot (in thousands)	\$	1,333	\$	958	\$	5,334	\$	3,914	
Total (in thousands)	\$	16,521	\$	9,239	\$	52 <b>,</b> 029	\$	35,176	
Average operating revenues									
per loaded mile	\$	4.41	\$	3.68	\$	4.17	\$	3.18	
Average operating revenues									
per loaded mile,		0.01		0 40		0.56		0.05	
excluding fuel surcharges	\$	3.81	\$	3.43	\$	3.76	\$	3.05	
Average operating revenues	Ċ	284	\$	202	\$	274	\$	260	
per load Average operating revenues	\$	∠ŏ4	Þ	293	Þ	274	Ş	268	
per load, excluding									
fuel surcharges	\$	246	\$	274	\$	247	\$	257	
Number of loads	۲	53,458	~	28,231	~	170,382	۲	116,646	
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<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes operating data from CrossRoad Carriers, Inc. in order to improve the relevance of the statistical data related to our truckload and brokerage services and improve the comparability to our peer companies.

SOURCE Universal Truckload Services, Inc.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Average length of haul is computed using loaded miles.