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1(b).

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Brink Carl B	•	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
28634 PLEASANT FOREST			09/20/2018	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
DRIVE				Chief Financial Officer		
	(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		
KATY, TX 77494						
				Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

(City)	(State)	^(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	Securities Compensation of the securities Beneficially Following In Reported (Intransaction(s) Following Intransaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/20/2018		Code V M	Amount 12,000	(D)	Price \$ 20.26	(Instr. 3 and 4) 29,083	D	
Common Stock	09/20/2018		A	12,000 (1)	D	\$ 22.45	17,083	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D (D)	urities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Stock Options	\$ 20.26	09/20/2018		M		12,000	(2)	02/25/2019	Common Stock	12,00
Stock Options	\$ 25.43						(3)	02/14/2028	Common Stock	15,00
Performance Award	<u>(4)</u>						<u>(4)</u>	12/31/2022	Common Stock	7,980
Stock Options	\$ 26.54						<u>(5)</u>	03/21/2027	Common Stock	34,90
Performance Award	<u>(6)</u>						<u>(6)</u>	12/31/2021	Common Stock	7,920
Stock Options	\$ 20.06						<u>(7)</u>	02/23/2026	Common Stock	10,00
Performance Award	<u>(8)</u>						(8)	12/31/2020	Common Stock	3,100
Stock Options	\$ 22.58						<u>(9)</u>	02/24/2022	Common Stock	22,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsinps					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Brink Carl Benjamin 28634 PLEASANT FOREST DRIVE KATY, TX 77494

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Carl B. Brink	09/21/2018		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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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 shares withheld on 09/20/2018 to cover option price and taxes associated with the exercise of stock options granted
- Stock Option Grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan of 18,000 options (2) granted on 02/25/2014, of which 6,000 options vested on 2/25/2015 and were exercised on 3/26/2015, 6,000 options vested on 2/25/2016 and 2/25/2017. These options expire on 02/25/2019.
- (3) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Plan which will vest 1/5 on 2/14/2019, 2/14/2020, 2/14/2021, 2/14/2022 and 2/14/2023. The options expire on 2/14/2028.
 - Represents performance-based awards, payable in shares, granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on December 31, 2022 provided that certain criteria surrounding Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA (Adjusted
- (4) Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization) and Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA Margin performance is achieved and the Reporting Person has remained continuously employed by Carriage through such date. The Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA performance represents 50% of the award and the Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA Margin performance represents 50% of the award.
- Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which (5) vested 1/5 on 3/21/2018 and 1/5 will vest each year on 3/21/2019, 3/21/2020, 3/21/2021 and 3/21/2022. These stock options expire on 3/21/2027.
 - Represents performance-based awards, payable in shares, granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on December 31, 2021 provided that certain criteria surrounding Adjusted
- (6) Consolidated EBITDA (Adjusted Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization) and Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA Margin performance is achieved and the Reporting Person has remained continuously employed by Carriage through such date. The Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA performance represents 50% of the award and the Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA Margin performance represents 50% of the award.
- Stock Options granted pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which (7) vested 1/5 on 2/23/2017, 1/5 on 2/23/2018 and 1/5 will vest on 2/23/2019, 2/23/2020 and 2/23/2021. These stock options expire on 2/23/2026.
 - Represents performance-based awards, payable in shares, granted under the Carriage Services, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The award will vest (if at all) on December 31, 2020 provided that certain criteria surrounding Adjusted
- (8) Consolidated EBITDA (Adjusted Earnings Before Interest Tax Depreciation and Amortization) and Relative Shareholder Return performance is achieved and the Reporting Person has remained continuously employed by Carriage through such date. The Relative Shareholder Return performance represents 75% of the award and the Adjusted Consolidated EBITDA performance represents 25% of the award.
- (9) Stock Option grant pursuant to the Carriage Services, Inc. Amended and Restated 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vested 1/3 on 2/24/2016, 1/3 on 2/24/2017 and 1/3 on 2/24/2018. These stock options expire on 02/24/2022.

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