PALMER JONATHAN J

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

I			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC [HPY]				0	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Mo			(Month/Day/Year)				_	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
PRINCETO	(Street) ON, NJ 08542			endment, D onth/Day/Yea 2010	_	l	- -	6. Individual or Join Applicable Line) X_Form filed by OrForm filed by Mo Person	ne Reporting Per	rson	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Secui		ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ed Date, if	3.		es Ac	quired (A)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	08/06/2012			Code V M	Amount 5,000	(D)	Price \$ 27.4	(Instr. 3 and 4) 41,719	D		
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per	08/06/2012			M	5,000	A	\$ 18	46,719	D		

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Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	08/06/2012	M	3,750	A	\$ 8.88	50,469	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	08/06/2012	M	5,000	A	\$ 12.16	55,469	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	08/06/2012	S	18,750	D	\$ 30.9385 (1)	36,719	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 (Derivation Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. NumborDerivati Securitic Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	ve es d (A) or d of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right t buy)	3 X XX	05/11/2009		A	5,000		(2)	05/11/2014	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (right t buy)	n / / 4	08/06/2012		M		5,000	12/20/2007	12/20/2012	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (right t buy)	3 I X	08/06/2012		M		5,000	11/05/2008	11/05/2013	Common Stock	5,000

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Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.88	08/06/2012	M	3,750	(2)	05/11/2014	Common Stock	3,750
Stock Option (right to	\$ 12.16	08/06/2012	M	5,000	11/06/2009	11/06/2014	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PALMER JONATHAN J C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC. 90 NASSAU STREET PRINCETON, NJ 08542	X					

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan J.
Palmer

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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).
- This price is the weighted average price of the 18,750 shares of Heartland Payment Systems, Inc.'s common stock sold. The prices actually paid for the shares of the Issuer's common stock sold ranged from 30.85 to \$31.1025. The reporting person will provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer or the SEC Staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range of prices actually paid.
- The stock options granted on May 11, 2009 and disclosed in the Form 4 filed on April 21, 2010 vest in four equal annual installments (2) beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant. As of the date of this filing, 3,750 of the options have vested and 1,250 of the options remain unvested.

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