NIEHAUS ROBERT H
Form 4/A
August 13, 2012

# FORM 4

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br>NIEHAUS ROBERT H | 2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>**HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC [HPY]** | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br><br>(Check all applicable) |
|---|---|---|
| (Last)　　(First)　　(Middle)<br><br>C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC., 90 NASSAU STREET | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>05/11/2009 | __X__ Director　　_____ 10% Owner<br>_____ Officer (give title　_____ Other (specify below)　　below) |
| (Street)<br><br><br>PRINCETON 08542 | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)<br>04/21/2010 | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |

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. Der Sec (In |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | $ 8.88 | 05/11/2009 | | M | | 5,000 | | (1) | 05/11/2014 | Common Stock | 5,000 | $ |

# Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NIEHAUS ROBERT H<br>C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC.<br>90 NASSAU STREET<br>PRINCETON 08542 | X | | | |

# Signatures

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| /s/ Robert H. Niehaus | 08/13/2012 |
| **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)   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 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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