NIEHAUS ROBERT H

Form 4/A

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FORM 4

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

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

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NIEHAUS ROBERT H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC [HPY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2009

X_ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC., 90 NASSAU

STREET

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

04/21/2010

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PRINCETON 08542

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)	Code	5. Number action Derivative Securities 8) 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. I Der Sec (Ins
				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		<u>(1)</u>	05/11/2014	Common Stock	5,000	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NIEHAUS ROBERT H C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC. 90 NASSAU STREET PRINCETON 08542



Signatures

/s/ Robert H.

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**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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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 (1) 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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