BALDWIN ROBERT H B JR

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BALDWIN ROBERT H B JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC [HPY]

(Check all applicable)

(First) C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

SYSTEMS, INC., 90 NASSAU

STREET

10/22/2012

(Month/Day/Year)

below)

Vice Chairman

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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(Zip)

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PRINCETON, NJ 08542

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

(A) Code V Amount (D) Reported Transaction(s)

Following

Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock, par

value

10/22/2012

M 5,000

5,000 D

521,410

D

\$0.001 per share

Common Stock, par

 $S^{(1)}$ 10/22/2012

\$ 27 516,410

 $D^{(2)}$

\$0.001 per

share

value

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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. I Der Sec (In:
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.88	10/22/2012		M	5,000	(3)	05/11/2014	Common Stock	5,000	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BALDWIN ROBERT H B JR

C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC.

90 NASSAU STREET

PRINCETON, NJ 08542

Vice

Chairman

Signatures

/s/ Robert H.B. 10/22/2012 Baldwin, Jr.

**Signature of Reporting 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 sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 12, 2012.
- (2) The reporting person is the direct beneficial owner of 516,410 shares of common stock of Heartland Payment Systems, Inc., excluding 142.62 shares of common stock of the Issuer held in the Issuer's 401(k) plan. The reporting person is also the indirect beneficial owner of

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91,325 shares of common stock of the Issuer which are held by the Margaret J. Sieck and Whitney H. Baldwin as Trustees for an Indenture created June 30, 2004. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities held in the Indenture, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(3) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on May 11, 2010. As of the date of this filing, 71,475 have vested and 23,825 options remain unvested.

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