HOLLIN MITCHELL L

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\$0.001 per share

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			SYSTEMS INC		N I	(Check all applicable)						
	(First) (. Date of Earliest Month/Day/Year) 2/06/2012			_X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)							
STREET	, INC., 90 NASS.	AU										
	(Street)		. If Amendment, Filed(Month/Day/Yo	_		6. Individual or Joi Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Or						
PRINCETO	ON, NJ 08542					Form filed by Mo Person	ore than One Re	porting				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non	-Derivative	Securities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution D any (Month/Day	n Date, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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	11/13/2012			7 Amount 7 7,798	(D) Price D \$0	(Instr. 3 and 4) 50,996	D					
Common Stock, par	12/06/2012		M	£ 000	A \$ 27.4	55 006	D					

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Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/06/2012	S	5,000	D	\$ 29.5517	50,996	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/07/2012	S	3,229	D	\$ 29.7072 (2)	47,767	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2012	S	4,569	D	\$ 29.63 (3)	43,198	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2012	M	5,000	A	\$ 18	48,198	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2012	M	3,750	A	\$ 8.88	51,948	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2012	M	5,000	A	\$ 12.16	56,948	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2012	M	2,916	A	\$ 16.4	59,864	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2012	S	19,864	D	\$ 29.6664 (<u>4)</u>	40,000	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. 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)			e and Amount of 8 lying Securities I 3 and 4) 5	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.4	12/06/2012		M	5,000	12/20/2007	12/20/2012	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18	12/10/2012		M	5,000	11/05/2008	11/05/2013	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.88	12/10/2012		M	3,750	<u>(5)</u>	05/11/2014	Common Stock	3,750	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.16	12/10/2012		M	5,000	11/06/2009	11/06/2014	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.4	12/10/2012		M	2,916	12/10/2010	12/10/2015	Common Stock	2,916	

Reporting Owners

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

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/s/ Mitchell L. 12/10/2012 Hollin

**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 5,000 shares sold. The prices actually paid for the shares of the Common Stock of
 Heartland Payment Systems, Inc. (the "Issuer") sold ranged from \$29.53 to \$29.59. 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.
- This price is the weighted average price of the 3,229 shares of the Issuer's common stock sold. The prices actually paid for the shares of the Issuer's common stock sold ranged from \$29.70 to \$29.75. 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.
- This price is the weighted average price of the 4,569 shares of the Issuer's common stock sold. The prices actually paid for the shares of the Issuer's common stock sold ranged from \$29.60 to \$29.68. 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.
- This price is the weighted average price of the 19,864 shares of the Issuer's common stock sold. The prices actually paid for the shares of the Issuer's common stock sold ranged from \$29.65 to \$29.74. 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.
- (5) The stock options were granted on May 11, 2009 and 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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