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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading CARR ROBERT O Issuer Symbol HEARTLAND PAYMENT (Check all applicable) SYSTEMS INC [HPY] _X__ Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT 03/01/2015 Chairman of the Board and CEO SYSTEMS, INC., 90 NASSAU STREET

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PRINCETON, NJ 08542

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D) Common Stock, par $D^{(1)}$ value 03/01/2015 M 55,000 A \$0 437,009 \$0.001 per share Common Stock, par $F^{(2)}$ $D^{(1)}$ 03/01/2015 22,798 D value \$ 0 414,211 \$0.001 per share

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Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/01/2015	A	95,542	A	\$ 0	509,753	D (1)
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/01/2015	F(2)	41,036	D	\$0	468,717	D (1)
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/01/2015	M	4,355	A	\$0	473,072	D (1)
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/01/2015	F ⁽²⁾	1,871	D	\$ 0	471,201	D (1)

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 onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day	Date Exercisable and piration Date onth/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	03/01/2015		M <u>(4)</u>	55,000	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	55,00	
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	03/01/2015		M(6)	95,542	<u>(7)</u>	12/22/2021(7)	Common Stock	95,54	
Restricted Stock	(3)	03/01/2015		M(8)	4,355	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	4,355	

Units

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CARR ROBERT O
C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC.
90 NASSAU STREET
PRINCETON, NJ 08542

Chairman of the Board and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Robert O. Carr 03/04/2015

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- The reporting person's indirect beneficial ownership consists of 116,487 shares of the Issuer's common stock held by The Robert O. Carr 2000 Irrevocable Trust for Emmalee Carr. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the Issuer's common stock held by The Robert O. Carr 2000 Irrevocable Trust for Emmalee Carr. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reportingperson is the beneficial owner of the shares of the Issuer's common stock for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (2) Shares were withheld from the reporting person, in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3, solely to satisfy tax obligations arising from the vesting of the restricted stock described in this Form 4.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
 - These performance based stock units were granted on December 10, 2010 ("PSUs"). Each restricted stock unit will vest 50% on March 1, 2013, 25% on March 1, 2014, and 25% on March 1, 2015 (subject to continued employment and certain change in control provisions)
- (4) only if over the term of these performance based restricted stock units, the following diluted earnings per share targets for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2013 and 2014 are achieved.: 2012: \$1.48 2013:\$1.74 2014: \$2.04 Diluted earnings per share will be calculated on a pro forma basis to exclude non-operating gains and losses, if any, and excluding the after-tax impact of stock compensation expense.
 - The earnings per share target described in footnote (4) above was met for the year ended December 31, 2012 and, as a result, 50% of the restricted stock units vested on March 1, 2013. The earnings per share target described in footnote (4) above was met for the year ended
- (5) December 31, 2013 and, as a result 25% of the restricted stock units vested on March 1, 2014. The earnings per share target described in footnote (4) above was met for the year ended December 31, 2014 and, as a result 25% of the restricted stock units vested on March 1, 2015
 - These performance based restricted stock units were granted on December 22, 2011 ("PSUs"). The PSUs vest 50% in 2014 and 50% in 2015, contingent upon the Company achieving a diluted earnings per share compound annual growth rate ("CAGR") of 17% for the
- (6) two-year period ending December 31, 2013. Additionally, for each 1% that the CAGR actually achieved for the two year period that is above the 17% target, the number of shares underlying the PSUs awarded would be increased by 3.09%; provided, however, that the maximum increase in the number of shares that may be awarded could be is 100%.
- The resulting CAGR for the two-year period ending December 31, 2013 described in footnote (6) above exceeded the maximum (7) performance target, resulting in holders earning the maximum 100% increase in PSUs awarded. As a result, 50% of the PSUs vested on March 1, 2014 and 50% vested on March 1, 2015.
 - These performance based restricted stock units were granted on December 10, 2012 ("PSUs"). The PSUs vest 50% in 2015 and 50% in 2016, contingent upon the Company achieving a diluted earnings per share compound annual growth rate ("CAGR") of 15% for the
- (8) two-year period ending December 31, 2014. Additionally, for each 1% that the CAGR actually achieved for the two-year period ending on December 31, 2014 is below the 15% target, the number of shares underlying the performance share units granted would be decreased by 1.31%.

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The resulting CAGR for the two-year period ending December 31, 2014 described in footnote (8) above was below target performance.

As a result, the underlying performance shares granted on December 10, 2012 was decreased and 23.2% of the PSUs were earned; 50% of the earned PSUs (11.6%) vested on March 1, 2015 and the remaining 50% of the earned PSUs (11.6%) will vest on March 1, 2016 subject to continued employment with the Issuer and certain change in control provisions.

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