

CARR ROBERT O
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 CARR ROBERT O

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC [HPY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman of the Board and CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC., 90 NASSAU STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/22/2012

(Street)
 PRINCETON, NJ 08542

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/22/2012		M	25,000	A	\$ 15.22	56,847 D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/22/2012		S ⁽¹⁾	25,000	D	\$ 28.9876	31,847 D
						<u>(2)</u>	

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Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/23/2012	M	38,191	A	\$ 8.88	70,038	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/23/2012	<u>S</u> ⁽¹⁾	38,191	D	\$ 29.5825 <u>(3)</u>	31,847	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/26/2012	M	40,905	A	\$ 8.88	72,752	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/26/2012	<u>S</u> ⁽¹⁾	40,905	D	\$ 30.1147 <u>(4)</u>	31,847	D <u>(5)</u>

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.22	03/22/2012		M	25,000	<u>(6)</u> 07/22/2015	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to	\$ 8.88	03/23/2012		M	38,191	<u>(7)</u> 05/11/2014	Common Stock	38,191

