

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC
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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 *
 BALDWIN ROBERT H B JR

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/06/2015

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 Vice Chairman

(Street)
 PRINCETON, NJ 08542

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/06/2015		M	A	\$ 0	541,503	D ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/06/2015		F	D	\$ 0	541,066	D ⁽¹⁾

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Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2015	M	2,263	A	\$ 0	543,329	D <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2015	F	1,177	D	\$ 0	542,152	D <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2015	<u>A</u> ⁽²⁾	18,279	A	\$ 0	560,431	D <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	12/10/2015	F	9,496	D	\$ 0	550,935	D <u>(1)</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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Restricted Stock Unit <u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	12/06/2015		M		841 <u>(5)</u> 12/06/2023 <u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	84
Restricted Stock Units <u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	12/10/2015		M		2,263 <u>(6)</u> 12/10/2017	Common Stock	2,263
	<u>(4)</u>	12/11/2015		A		1,808 <u>(7)</u> <u>(7)</u>		1,808

Restricted
Stock Unit
(3)

Common
Stock

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/ Charles H.N. Kallenbach, Attorney
in Fact

12/15/2015

__Signature of Reporting Person

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 Reporting Person is the indirect beneficial owner of 30,442 shares of the Issuer held by the Robert H.B Baldwin, Jr. Trust U/A/D June 30, 2004 (the "Trust"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities held in the Trust, 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.
- (2) The shares of common stock were acquired upon the vesting of relative total shareholder return performance share units granted in December 2012.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.
- (4) Each vested restricted stock unit was the economic equivalent of one share of the Issuer's common stock. The reporting person settled the vested restricted stock units for shares of the Issuer's common stock.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning December 6, 2014. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person as soon as administratively practicable following the vesting of the restricted stock unit.
- (6) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning December 10, 2013. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person as soon as administratively practicable following the vesting of the restricted stock units.
- (7) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning December 11, 2016. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person as soon as administratively practicable following the vesting of the restricted stock units.

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