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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Lawler Michael A</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC.,Â 90 NASSAU STREET</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>PRINCETON,Â NJÂ 08542</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>06/18/2012</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC [HPY]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other                  (give title below) (specify below)                  President - Strategic Markets</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>06/27/2012</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

<p>1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)</p>	<p>2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)</p>	<p>3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)</p>	<p>4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)</p>
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

<p>1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)</p>	<p>2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>Date Exercisable      Expiration Date</p>	<p>3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)</p> <p>Title      Amount or Number of</p>	<p>4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</p>	<p>5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)</p>	<p>6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)</p>
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				Shares			or Indirect (1) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Units <u>(1)</u>	Â <u>(2)</u>	Â <u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	12,500	\$ <u>(3)</u>		D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lawler Michael A C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC. 90 NASSAU STREET PRINCETON, NJ 08542	Â	Â	Â President - Strategic Markets	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Michael A. Lawler 07/23/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 restricted stock units were granted on April 26, 2012 and vest in four equal annual installments beginning on April 26, 2013, not May 12, 2013 as reflected in the Form 3 filed on June 27, 2012.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning April 26, 2013. Shares of the Issuer's common stock will be delivered to the reporting person as soon as administratively practicable following the vesting of the restricted stock unit.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Heartland Payment Systems, Inc.'s (the "Issuer's") common stock.

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