

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

December 21, 2007

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BALDWIN ROBERT H B JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT
SYSTEMS, INC., 90 NASSAU
STREET**

(Street)

PRINCETON, NJ 08542

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/21/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
President and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share	12/21/2007		M	11,820	A \$ 6.25 (1)	392,595	D (2)

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. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	\$ 6.25 ⁽¹⁾	12/21/2007		M		11,820		⁽⁴⁾	01/15/2014	Common Stock	11,820

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

President and CFO

Signatures

/s/ Robert H.B.
Baldwin, Jr. 12/21/2007

^{**}Signature of Reporting
Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- On July 26, 2005, the common stock of Heartland Payment Systems, Inc. (the "Issuer") split 2-for-1. The number of the underlying securities and the price of this option are adjusted to reflect the stock split, resulting in the acquisition of 45,000 additional shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$6.25 per share.
- (1) Robert H.B. Baldwin, Jr. is also the indirect beneficial owner of 91,325 shares of common stock of the Issuer which are held by the Margaret J. Sieck and Whitney H. Baldwin as Trustees for an Indenture created June 30, 2004.
- (2) The options were granted under the Issuer's 2000 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (3) On January 15, 2004, the options were granted with vesting over a four year period. As of the date of this filing, all of the options have vested.

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