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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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See Instruction 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 BALDWIN ROBERT H B JR Issuer Symbol HEARTLAND PAYMENT (Check all applicable) SYSTEMS INC [HPY] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT 03/01/2014 Vice Chairman and Interim CFO SYSTEMS, INC., 90 NASSAU STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) 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 03/01/2014 M 15,000 A \$0 531,824 \$0.001 per share Common Stock, par $F^{(2)}$ $D^{(1)}$ 03/01/2014 value 5,072 D \$0 526,752 \$0.001 per share

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Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/01/2014	M	23,884	A	\$ 0	550,636	D (1)
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/01/2014	F(2)	10,152	D	\$0	540,484	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secur Secur Acquor Di (D)	rities nired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		(S)
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	03/01/2014		M <u>(4)</u>		15,000	<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Stock	15,000	
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	03/01/2014		M(6)		23,884	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	23,884	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BALDWIN ROBERT H B JR C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC. 90 NASSAU STREET PRINCETON, NJ 08542

Vice Chairman and Interim CFO

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/s/ Robert H.B. Baldwin, Jr.

03/04/2014

**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).

The Reporting Person is the direct beneficial owner of 540,484 shares of common stock of Heartland Payment Systems, Inc. (the "Issuer"), excluding 134.69 shares of common stock of the Issuer held in the Issuer's 401(k) plan. The Reporting Person 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. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities held in the Indenture, 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.
- 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.
- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Heartland Payment System, Inc.'s (the "Issuer") common (3)stock.

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) only if over the term of these restricted stock units, the following diluted earnings

- (4) 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 (5) restricted stock units vested on March 1, 2013. The earnings per share target described in footnote (4) above was met for the year ended December 31, 2013 and, as a result 25% of the restricted stock units vested on March 1, 2014.
 - 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 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% will vest on March 1, 2015, subject to continued employment with the Issuer and certain change in control

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