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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RAYMOND GEORGE F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC [HPY]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

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

12/23/2005

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PRINCETON, NJ 08542

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of

Securities

(D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.55	12/23/2005		A	5,000	12/23/2005	12/23/2010	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Relationships

RAYMOND GEORGE F C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC. 90 NASSAU STREET PRINCETON, NJ 08542



Signatures

/s/ George F. 03/29/2006 Raymond

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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