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Form 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LLR EQUITY PARTNERS LP

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

02/22/2006

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS INC [HPY]

(Check all applicable)

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

Director Officer (give title below)

X 10% Owner Other (specify

TWO GREENVILLE

CROSSING, 4005 KENNETT PIKE,

(Street)

SUITE 220

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Code V

 $X^{(1)}$

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

GREENVILLE, DE 19807

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

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

3. Transactionr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Amount

595,786

4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

(Month/Day/Year)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 4)

Common

value 02/22/2006

Price (D)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

D

4,133,509

Stock; par

\$0.001 per

share

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Nı	ımber of	6. Date Exercis	sable and	7. Title and A	Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orDeriv	vative	Expiration Dat	e	Underlying S	Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Secu	rities	(Month/Day/Y	ear)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acqu	ired (A) or				
	Derivative				Disp	osed of (D)				
	Security				(Inst	r. 3, 4, and				
					5)					
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Option to Sell	\$ 7.143	02/22/2006		X <u>(1)</u>		595,786	08/01/2003	07/31/2006	Common Stock	595,78

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
F-	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LLR EQUITY PARTNERS LP							
TWO GREENVILLE CROSSING		X					
4005 KENNETT PIKE, SUITE 220							
GREENVILLE, DE 19807							

Signatures

LLR Equity Partners, L.P., By: /s/ Mitchell L. Hollin, Mitchell L. Hollin

O2/23/2006

**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).

Disposition of shares to Robert O. Carr, Chief Executive Officer of the Issuer, pursuant to Mr. Carr's exercise in full of an option to

(1) purchase an aggregate of 595,786 shares of Issuer common stock ("Common Stock") from LLR Equity Partners, L.P. at an exercise price of \$7.143 per share, which option was granted to Mr. Carr by LLR Equity Partners, L.P. on July 31, 2003.

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