CARR ROBERT O

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CARR ROBERT O

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

HEARTLAND PAYMENT

(Check all applicable)

SYSTEMS INC [HPY] (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

03/22/2012

below) Chairman of the Board and CEO

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

(Street)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Person

PRINCETON, NJ 08542

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own							
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	1		• • •	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, 4	(A) or (D)	Price	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par	02/22/2012		M	25,000	A	¢ 15 22	56 0A7	D	

value 03/22/2012 M 25,000 A \$ 15.22 56,847 D

\$0.001 per share

Common Stock, par \$

 $S^{(1)}$ 28.9876 31,847 value 03/22/2012 25,000 D D \$0.001 per (2)

share

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Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/23/2012	M	38,191	A	\$ 8.88	70,038	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/23/2012	S <u>(1)</u>	38,191	D	\$ 29.5825 (3)	31,847	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/26/2012	M	40,905	A	\$ 8.88	72,752	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	03/26/2012	S <u>(1)</u>	40,905	D	\$ 30.1147 (4)	31,847	D (5)

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)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day	Date	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)	\$ 15.22	03/22/2012		M	25,000	<u>(6)</u>	07/22/2015	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to	\$ 8.88	03/23/2012		M	38,191	<u>(7)</u>	05/11/2014	Common Stock	38,191

buy)

Stock

Option (right to \$ 8.88 03/26/2012 M 40,905 (7) 05/11/2014 Common Stock 40,905

buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CARR ROBERT O

C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC.

X Chairman of the Board and CEO

90 NASSAU STREET PRINCETON, NJ 08542

Signatures

/s/ Charles H.N. Kallenbach, attorney-in-fact 03/26/2012

**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).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 9, 2012.
- This price is the weighted average price of the 25,000 shares of Heartland Payment Systems, Inc.'s (the "Issuer") common stock sold. The prices actually paid for the shares of the Issuer's common stock sold ranged from \$28.87 to \$29.20. The reporting person will provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer or the SEC Staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range of prices actually paid.
- This price is the weighted average price of the 38,191 shares of the Issuer's common stock sold. The prices actually paid for the shares of the Issuer's common stock sold ranged from \$29.12 to \$29.89. The reporting person will provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer or the SEC Staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range of prices actually paid.
- This price is the weighted average price of the 40,905 shares of the Issuer's common stock sold. The prices actually paid for the shares of the Issuer's common stock sold ranged from \$29.93 to \$30.35. The reporting person will provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer or the SEC Staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range of prices actually paid.
- The reporting person's indirect beneficial ownership consists of 108,487 shares of the Issuer's common stock held by The Robert O. Carr 2000 Irrevocable Trust for Emily Carr. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the Issuer's common stock held by The Robert O. Carr 2000 Irrevocable Trust for Emily Carr. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the shares of the Issuer's common stock for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (6) On July 22, 2010, the option was granted with vesting in four equal installments over a four year period. As of the date of this filing, 75,000 of the options have vested and 225,000 options remain unvested.
- On May 11, 2009, the stock options were granted with vesting in four equal installments over a four year period if the closing price of the common stock of the Issuer was \$26.64 or greater for 30 consecutive trading days at any time before the option expired. The closing price of the common stock of the Issuer has exceeded \$26.64 for 30 consecutive trading days so, as of the date of this filing, 232,500 of the stock options have vested and 232,500 stock options remain unvested.

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