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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

X QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2006

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to ____

Commission File No. 001-32594

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

22-3755714 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification Number)

90 Nassau Street, Princeton, New Jersey 08542

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(609) 683-3831

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. x YES "NO"

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer " Accelerated filer " Non-accelerated filer x Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). "YES x NO

As of November 6, 2006, there were 37,151,492 shares of the registrant s Common Stock, \$.001 par value, outstanding.

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Heartland Payment Systems, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands, except share data)

(unaudited)

	Sep	otember 30, 2006	Dec	cember 31, 2005
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	23,251	\$	17,747
Receivables, net		98,265		93,756
Investments		2,522		2,141
Inventory		2,360		714
Prepaid expenses		1,427		1,979
Current tax asset		23,786		1,602
Current deferred tax assets, net		806		1,492
Total current assets		152,417		119,431
Capitalized customer acquisition costs, net		53,341		42,930
Deferred tax assets, net		4,059		3,477
Property and equipment, net		22,289		17,661
Goodwill and intangible assets		1,767		
Deposits and other assets		118		186
Total assets	\$	233,991	\$	183,685
Liabilities and stockholders equity				
Current liabilities:				
Due to sponsor bank	\$	28,450	\$	34,530
Accounts payable		28,127		25,339
Current portion of accrued buyout liability		11,186		10,478
Merchant deposits and loss reserves		4,514		7,450
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		9,614		7,407
Current portion of borrowings and financing arrangements		243		261
Total current liabilities		82,134		85,465
Long-term portion of borrowings and financing arrangements				173
Long-term portion of accrued buyout liability		21,051		17,996
Total liabilities		103,185		103,634
Commitments and contingencies (Note 11)				
Stockholders equity				
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized; 38,193,179 and 34,222,114 shares				
issued at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005; 37,131,679 and 34,200,114 shares outstanding at				
September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005		38		34
Additional paid-in capital		150,561		96,417
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(19)		(26)
Retained earnings (Accumulated deficit)		5,165		(15,879)
Treasury stock, at cost (1,061,500 and 22,000 shares at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005)		(24,939)		(495)

Total stockholders equity	130,806	80,051
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 233,991	\$ 183,685

 $See\ accompanying\ notes\ to\ condensed\ consolidated\ financial\ statements.$

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

(In thousands, except per share data)

(unaudited)

	Three Mor Septem 2006		Nine Mon Septem 2006	
Total Revenues	\$ 293,790	\$ 228,092	\$ 808,645	\$ 607,648
Costs of Services:				
Interchange	215,656	168,550	592,426	444,100
Dues and assessments	10,920	8,624	29,732	22,938
Processing and servicing	30,894	22,567	88,656	64,919
Customer acquisition costs Depreciation and amortization	8,774	7,037	25,269	20,278 4,056
Depreciation and amortization	1,602	1,447	4,403	4,030
Total costs of services	267,846	208,225	740,486	556,291
General and administrative	11,699	10,169	35,489	28,448
General and administrative	11,077	10,109	33,407	20,440
Total expenses	279,545	218,394	775,975	584,739
Income from operations	14,245	9,698	32,670	22,909
Other income (expense):				
Interest income	431	239	1,261	422
Interest expense	(264)	(418)	(608)	(1,391)
Fair value adjustment for warrants with mandatory redemption provisions		(2,620)		(2,912)
Gain on settlement of financing arrangement		5,140	021	5,140
Other, net		4	831	11
Total other income (expense)	167	2,345	1,484	1,270
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Income before income taxes	14,412	12,043	34,154	24,179
Provision for income taxes	4,273	5,507	12,182	10,568
Net income	10,139	6,536	21,972	13,611
Income allocated to Series A Senior Convertible Preferred Stock		1,326		4,728
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Net income attributable to Common Stock	\$ 10,139	\$ 5,210	\$ 21,972	\$ 8,883
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Net income	\$ 10,139	\$ 6,536	\$ 21,972	\$ 13,611
Other comprehensive income, net of tax: Unrealized gains (losses) on investments	9	(8)	7	(12)
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Comprehensive income	\$ 10,148	\$ 6.528	\$ 21,979	\$ 13,599
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Earnings per common share:				
Basic	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.46
Diluted	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.37

Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:

Basic	36,939	24,995	36,096	19,331
Diluted	39,955	38,647	39,921	36,864

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Condensed Consolidated Statement of Stockholders Equity

(In thousands)

(unaudited)

	Preferred Stock Common Stock			A	dditional	Ac	ccumulated									
							1	Paid-In	G.	Other]	Retained Earnings			G,	Total
	Shares	Am	ount	Shares	Am	ount		Capital	Cor	mprehensive Loss	(A)	Deficit)		easury Stock	Sto	ckholders Equity
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2005:												,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,				
Balance, January 1, 2005	7,619	\$	8	16,438	\$	8	\$	41,065	\$	(10)	\$	(34,972)			\$	6,099
Issuance of Common Stock options exercised				1,446		1		6,429								6,430
Issuance of Common Stock on initial public offering				2,759		3		41,709								41,712
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(7.610)		(0)	12 222		12		(5)		(12)						(12)
Conversion of preferred stock Two for one stock split	(7,619)		(8)	13,333		13		(5)								
Exercise of warrants				169		O		4,478	,							4,478
Net income for the period				10)				.,.,				13,611				13,611
Balance, September 30, 2005				34,145	\$	33	\$	93,668	\$	(22)	\$	(21,361)			\$	72,318
Nine Months Ended																
September 30, 2006:				24.200	Φ.	2.4	Φ.	06.415	Φ.	(2.0)	Φ.	(15.050)	Φ.	(40.5)	Φ.	00.051
Balance, January 1, 2006				34,200	\$	34	\$	96,417	\$	(26)	\$	(15,879)	\$	(495)	\$	80,051
Issuance of Common Stock options exercised				3,971		4		25,719								25,723
Excess tax benefit on stock options exercised under SFAS No. 123R								27,661								27,661
Repurchase of Common Stock Share-based compensation under SFAS No. 123R				(1,039)				764					(2	24,444)		(24,444)
Accumulated other comprehensive								/04								/04
income										7						7
Dividends on common stock												(928)				(928)
Net income for the period												21,972				21,972
Balance, September 30, 2006				37,132	\$	38	\$	150,561	\$	(19)	\$	5,165	\$ (2	24,939)	\$	130,806

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(In thousands)

(unaudited)

	Nine	Months End	ed Sep	otember 30, 2005
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net income	\$	21,972	\$	13,611
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		Ź		
Amortization of capitalized customer acquisition costs		25,758		17,842
Other depreciation and amortization		5,537		4,062
Share-based compensation		764		,
Deferred taxes		104		1,030
Gain on settlement of financing arrangement				(5,140)
Fair value adjustment for warrants with mandatory redemption provisions				2,912
Loss on disposal of property and equipment				33
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Increase in receivables		(3,500)		(10,027)
Increase in inventory		(546)		(662)
Payment of signing bonuses, net		(23,934)		(14,723)
Increase in capitalized customer acquisition costs		(12,235)		(9,402)
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses		544		(123)
Decrease in deposits and other assets		5,474		1
Excess tax benefits on options exercised under SFAS No. 123R		(27,661)		
(Decrease) increase in due to sponsor bank		(6,081)		4,092
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable		1,913		(2,507)
Increase in accrued expenses and other liabilities		2,178		197
(Decrease) increase in merchant deposits and loss reserves		(2,936)		1,191
Payouts of accrued buyout liability		(7,983)		(11,420)
Increase in accrued buyout liability		11,746		11,838
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities		(8,886)		2,805
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchase of investments		(1,061)		(410)
Maturities of investments		687		166
Acquisition of business, net of cash acquired		(3,453)		
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment				27
Purchases of property and equipment		(9,603)		(9,274)
Net cash used in investing activities		(13,430)		(9,491)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Principal payments on borrowings and financing arrangements		(192)		(7,459)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		25,723		6,430
Proceeds from sale of common stock				41,712
Excess tax benefits on options exercised under SFAS No. 123R		27,661		
Repurchase of common stock		(24,444)		
Dividends paid on common stock		(928)		

Net cash provided by financing activities	27,820	40,683
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	5,504	33,997
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	17,747	13,237
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 23,251	\$ 47,234
Supplemental cash flow information:		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest	\$ 611	\$ 1,339
Income taxes	6,604	11,312
Supplemental schedule of non-cash activities:		
Amortization of other assets	\$ 71	\$ 112

 $See\ accompanying\ notes\ to\ condensed\ consolidated\ financial\ statements.$

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Notes To Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

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1. Organization and Operations

Basis of Financial Statement Presentation The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements include those of Heartland Payment Systems, Inc. (the Company) and its subsidiaries, Heartland Payroll Company (HPC) and Debitek, Inc. (Debitek). The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. All intercompany balances and transactions with the Company s subsidiaries have been eliminated upon consolidation. The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements are unaudited. In the opinion of the Company s management, the unaudited interim financial statements include all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the Company s financial position at September 30, 2006, its results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 and its cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005. Results of operations reported for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the year ended December 31, 2006. These unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements included in the Company s December 31, 2005 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The December 31, 2005 unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet was derived from the audited 2005 Consolidated Financial Statements.

The officers and directors of the Company represent a majority of the outstanding shares, and so control the Company.

All outstanding common shares, average common shares, earnings per common share and conversion amounts related to stock options, warrants and Series A Senior Convertible Participating Preferred Stock have been adjusted retroactively to reflect a two-for-one stock split on July 26, 2005. On that date, the Company s Board of Directors and stockholders also increased the number of authorized shares of common stock to 100,000,000 and the number of shares authorized under the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan to 11,000,000.

Certain amounts for prior periods have been reclassified to conform with current presentation.

Business The Company provides payment-processing services related to bank card transactions for merchants throughout the United States. In addition, the Company provides certain other merchant services, including the sale and rental of terminal equipment and supplies. HPC provides payroll and related tax filing services throughout the United States. Debitek provides prepaid card and stored-value card solutions.

Use of Estimates The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates include, among other things, the accrued buyout liability, capitalized customer acquisition costs, loss reserves, certain accounts payable and accrued expenses and certain tax assets and liabilities as well as the related valuation allowances, if any. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Interchange expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 included \$2.0 million recorded in the quarter ended March 31, 2006 for a change in estimate of the amount of on-line debit interchange expense the Company accrues. The change in estimate was based on new information which became available to the Company.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Receivables The Company carries receivables from its merchants resulting from the practice of advancing interchange fees to most of its merchants during the month and collecting those fees from merchants at the beginning of the following month. During each month, the Company and its sponsor bank advance interchange fees to most of the Company s merchants. These advances to merchants are funded first with the Company s cash available for investment, then by incurring a payable to the Company s sponsor bank when that cash has been expended. The payable to the sponsor bank is repaid at the beginning of the following month out of the fees the Company collects from its merchants.

Capitalized Customer Acquisition Costs, net Capitalized customer acquisition costs consist of (1) up-front signing bonus payments made to Relationship Managers and sales managers (the Company s sales force) for the establishment of new merchant relationships, and (2) a deferred acquisition cost representing the estimated cost of buying out the commissions of vested sales employees. Pursuant to Staff Accounting Bulletin Topic 13, Revenue Recognition, and Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Technical Bulletin No. 90-1, Accounting for Separately Priced Extended Warranty and Product Maintenance Contracts, capitalized customer acquisition costs represent incremental, direct customer acquisition costs that are recoverable through gross margins associated with merchant contracts. The capitalized customer acquisition costs are amortized using a method which approximates a proportional revenue approach over the initial three-year term of the merchant contract.

The up-front signing bonus is based on the estimated gross margin for the first year of the merchant contract. The signing bonus, amount capitalized, and related amortization are adjusted after one year to reflect the actual gross margin generated by the merchant contract during that year. The deferred customer acquisition cost asset is accrued over the first year of merchant processing, consistent with the build-up in the accrued buyout liability, as described below.

Management evaluates the capitalized customer acquisition costs for impairment at each balance sheet date by comparing, on a pooled basis by vintage month of origination, the expected future net cash flows from underlying merchant relationships to the carrying amount of the capitalized customer acquisition costs. If the estimated future net cash flows are lower than the recorded carrying amount, indicating an impairment of the value of the capitalized customer acquisition costs, the impairment loss will be charged to operations. The Company believes that no impairment has occurred as of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005.

Merchant Deposits and Loss Reserves Disputes between a cardholder and a merchant periodically arise due to the cardholder s dissatisfaction with merchandise quality or the merchant s service, and the disputes may not always be resolved in the merchant s favor. In some of these cases, the transaction is charged back to the merchant and the purchase price is refunded to the cardholder by the credit card-issuing institution. If the merchant is unable to fund the refund, the Company is liable for the full amount of the transaction. The Company may have partial recourse to the Relationship Manager originally soliciting the merchant contract, if the Relationship Manager is still receiving income from the merchant s processing activities. Under FASB Interpretation No. 45, Guarantor s Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Other (FIN 45), the Company s obligation to stand ready to perform is minimal. The Company maintains deposits or the pledge of a letter of credit from certain merchants as an offset to potential contingent liabilities that are the responsibility of such merchants. The Company evaluates its ultimate risk and records an estimate of potential loss for chargebacks related to merchant fraud based upon an assessment of actual historical fraud loss rates compared to recent processing volume levels. The Company believes that the liability recorded as loss reserves approximates fair value.

Accrued Buyout Liability Relationship Managers and sales managers are paid residual commissions based on the gross margin generated by monthly merchant processing activity. The Company has the right,

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but is not obligated, to buy out some or all of these commissions, and intends to do so periodically. Such purchases of the commissions are at a fixed multiple of the last twelve months—commissions. Because of the Company—s intent and ability to execute purchases of the residual commissions, and the mutual understanding between the Company and the Relationship Managers and sales managers, the Company has accounted for this deferred compensation arrangement pursuant to the substantive nature of the plan. The Company therefore records the amount that it would have to pay (the—settlement cost—) to buy out non-servicing related commissions in their entirety from vested Relationship Managers and sales managers, and an accrual, based on their progress towards vesting, for those unvested Relationship Managers and sales managers who are expected to vest in the future. As noted above, as the liability increases over the first year of a merchant contract, the Company also records for currently vested Relationship Managers and sales managers a related deferred acquisition cost asset. The accrued buyout liability associated with unvested Relationship Managers and sales managers is not included in the deferred acquisition cost asset since future services are required in order to vest. Subsequent changes in the settlement cost, due to account attrition, same-store sales growth and changes in gross margin, are included in the same income statement caption as customer acquisition cost amortization expense.

The accrued buyout liability is based on the merchants under contract at the balance sheet date, the gross margin generated by those merchants over the prior 12 months, and the contractual buyout multiple. The liability related to a new merchant is therefore zero when the merchant is installed, and increases over the twelve months following the installation date. The same procedure is applied to unvested commissions over the expected vesting period, but is further adjusted to reflect the Company s experience that 31% of unvested Relationship Managers and sales managers become vested.

The classification of the accrued buyout liability between current and non-current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet is based upon the Company's estimate of the amount of the accrued buyout liability that it reasonably expects to pay over the next twelve months. This estimate is developed by calculating the cumulative annual average percentage that total historical buyout payments represent of the accrued buyout liability. That percentage is applied to the period-end accrued buyout liability to determine the current portion.

Revenue Revenues are mainly comprised of gross processing revenue, payroll processing revenue and equipment-related income. Gross processing revenue primarily consists of discount fees and per-transaction and periodic (primarily monthly) fees from the processing of Visa and MasterCard bank card transactions for merchants. The Company passes through to its customers any changes in interchange or association fees. Gross processing revenue also includes American Express and Discover fees, customer service fees, fees for processing chargebacks, termination fees on terminated contracts, and other miscellaneous revenue. Payroll processing revenue includes periodic and annual fees charged by HPC for payroll processing services. Revenue is recorded as bank card transactions are processed or payroll services are performed. Equipment-related income includes revenues from the sale, rental and deployment of bank card terminals, and from the sale of hardware, software and associated services for prepaid card and stored-value card payment systems. Revenues are recorded at the time of shipment, or the provision of service.

Income Taxes The Company accounts for income taxes by recognizing deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the financial statements or tax returns. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statements and the tax basis of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates.

Stock Options The Company adopted SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment (SFAS No. 123R) on January 1, 2006. This statement revises SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, and supersedes Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees (APB No. 25), and its related implementation guidance. The most significant change resulting from this statement is the requirement for public companies to expense employee share-based payments under the fair value method. Pursuant to SFAS No. 123R, share-based compensation cost is measured at the grant date, based on the fair value of the award, and is recognized as expense over the

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requisite service period. The Company elected to adopt the modified-prospective-transition method, as provided by SFAS No. 123R. Accordingly, prior period amounts have not been restated. Under this transitional method, the Company is required to record compensation expense for all awards granted after the date of adoption using the grant-date fair value estimated in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123R and for the unvested portion of previously granted awards using the grant-date fair value estimated in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123.

Additionally, SFAS No. 123R amends SFAS No. 95, *Statement of Cash Flows* (SFAS No. 95), to require the excess tax benefits to be reported as a financing cash inflow rather than a reduction of taxes paid, which is included within operating cash flows. Accordingly, cash provided by operating activities decreased and cash provided by financing activities increased by \$27.7 million related to excess tax benefits from share-based awards. The excess tax benefits result from employees exercising non-qualified stock options and making disqualifying dispositions of shares acquired through their exercise of incentive stock options.

The application of SFAS No. 123R had the following effects on reported amounts relative to amounts that the Company would have reported using the intrinsic value method under APB No. 25 for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 (in thousands, except per share data):

	Fo	Three Months Ended September 30, 2006 After Effect of Following Adopting APB No. SFAS No. 25 123R			September f g Following			
Income from operations	\$	14,548	\$	14,245	\$ 3	33,434	\$	32,670
Income before income taxes		14,715		14,412	3	34,918		34,154
Net income		10,368		10,139	2	22,585		21,972
Earnings per common share:								
Basic	\$	0.28	\$	0.27	\$	0.63	\$	0.61
Diluted	\$	0.26	\$	0.25	\$	0.57	\$	0.55
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	1,978	\$	3,369	\$	10,725	\$	(8,886)
Net cash provided by financing activities		3,691		2,300		8,209		27,820

Prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 123R, the Company accounted for its stock options using the intrinsic value method in which no compensation expense has been recognized for its share-based compensation plans because the options were granted at an exercise price greater than or equal to the estimated fair value at the grant date. The following table presents the effects on net income and basic and diluted net income per common share had the Company adopted the fair value method of accounting for share-based compensation under SFAS No. 123 for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 (in thousands, except per share data):

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			Nine M	onths Ended
	Sept	Ionths Ended ember 30, 2005	Sept	ember 30, 2005
Net income	\$	6,536	\$	13,611
Deduct: Total share-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value-based method, net of related tax expense		1,848		3,767
Pro forma net income		4,688		9,844
Less: Income allocated to Series A Senior Convertible Participating Preferred Stock		951		3,430
Pro forma net income attributable to common stock	\$	3,737	\$	6,414
Earnings per share:				
As reported:				
Basic	\$	0.21	\$	0.46
Diluted	\$	0.17	\$	0.37
Pro forma:				
Basic	\$	0.15	\$	0.33
Diluted	\$	0.12	\$	0.27

Basic earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 was computed and presented under the two-class method and was based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding and assumes an allocation of net income to the Series A Senior Convertible Participating Preferred Stock (the Convertible Preferred) for the period or portion of the period that the Convertible Preferred was outstanding. The Convertible Preferred automatically converted into 13,333,334 shares of the Company s common stock upon the August 16, 2005 closing of the Company s initial public offering.

Diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2005 was computed based on the weighted average outstanding common shares plus equivalent shares assuming exercise of stock options, warrants and conversion of Series A Senior Convertible Participating Preferred Stock, where dilutive. Weighted average shares outstanding and dilutive securities for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 have been adjusted to reflect a two-for-one stock split on July 26, 2005.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements The FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (FIN No. 48), in June 2006. FIN No. 48 clarifies the accounting for the recognition and measurement of tax benefits associated with uncertain tax positions and defines criterion that an individual tax position must meet for any part of that position to be recognized or continue to be recognized in the financial statements. FIN No. 48 also adds disclosure requirements for the amounts of unrecognized tax benefits associated with uncertain tax positions. An uncertain tax position exists if it is unclear how a transaction will be treated under tax law. FIN No. 48 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. The Company does not believe that the application of FIN No. 48 will have a material effect on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

The FASB issued SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS No. 157), in September 2006. SFAS No. 157 establishes a single authoritative definition of fair value in generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), sets out a framework for measuring fair value, and requires additional disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 applies only to fair value measurements that are already required or permitted by other accounting standards and is expected to increase the consistency of those measurements. The Company does not believe that the application of SFAS No. 157 will have a material effect on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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3. Acquisition

Effective January 1, 2006, the Company acquired the stock of Debitek, Inc. (Debitek) from Ingenico Inc. for a gross cash payment of approximately \$5.2 million. The Company acquired Debitek, Inc. to obtain a proven platform and solutions provider in the prepaid and stored-value cards market, particularly with respect to small-dollar payment applications. This acquisition is not expected to have a material impact on earnings in the near term. Pro forma results of operations have not been presented because the effect of the acquisition was not material. The transaction was accounted for under the purchase method of accounting.

The total purchase price was allocated as follows: \$1.7 million to goodwill, \$121,000 to intangible assets and \$3.4 million to net tangible assets, including cash of \$1.7 million.

4. Receivables

A summary of receivables by major class is as follows at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005:

	September 30, 2006	Dec	ember 31, 2005			
	(In tho	(In thousands)				
Accounts receivable from merchants	\$ 94,316	\$	91,288			
Accounts receivable from others	4,123		2,536			
	98,439		93,824			
Less allowance for doubtful accounts	(174)		(68)			
Total receivables, net	\$ 98,265	\$	93,756			

Included in accounts receivable from others are \$1,833,000 and \$1,519,000 which are due from employees at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively.

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5. Capitalized Customer Acquisition Costs, Net

A summary of the capitalized customer acquisition costs, net, is as follows as of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005:

	September 30, 2006		cember 31, 2005
	,	usands)	
Capitalized signing bonuses	\$ 69,852	\$	54,388
Less accumulated amortization	(30,370)		(22,727)
	39,482		31,661
Capitalized customer deferred acquisition costs Less accumulated amortization	38,408		26,172
Less accumulated amortization	(24,549) 13,859		(14,903) 11,269
Capitalized Customer Acquisition Costs, Net	\$ 53,341	\$	42,930

A summary of the activity in capitalized customer acquisition costs, net for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 was as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Mon Septem	ber 30,
	2006	2005	2006	2005
		`	ousands)	
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 50,473	\$ 38,419	\$ 42,930	\$ 34,247
Plus additions to:				
Capitalized signing bonuses, net	7,979	4,981	23,934	14,723
Capitalized customer deferred acquisition costs	3,843	3,446	12,235	9,402
	11,822	8,427	36,169	24,125
Less amortization expense on:				
Capitalized signing bonuses, net	(5,705)	(3,575)	(16,113)	(10,273)
Capitalized customer deferred acquisition costs	(3,249)	(2,741)	(9,645)	(7,569)
	(8,954)	(6,316)	(25,758)	(17,842)
Balance at end of period	\$ 53,341	\$ 40,530	\$ 53,341	\$ 40,530

Net signing bonus adjustments from estimated amounts to actual were \$(0.2) million and \$(1.3) million, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005, and \$0.8 million and \$(2.7) million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005. Net signing bonus adjustments are netted against additions in the table above.

Fully amortized signing bonuses of \$3.9 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, were written off during the three month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005, and \$9.5 million and \$5.8 million, respectively, were written off during the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005.

The Company believes that no impairment has occurred as of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005.

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6. Merchant Deposits and Loss Reserves

The Company s merchants have the liability for any charges properly reversed by the cardholder through a mechanism known as a chargeback. If the merchant is unable to pay this amount, the Company will be liable to the Visa and MasterCard associations for the reversed charges. Under FIN 45, the Company determined that the fair value of its obligation to stand ready to perform is minimal. The Company requires personal guarantees, merchant deposits and letters of credit from certain merchants to minimize its obligation. As of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, the Company held merchant deposits totaling \$4.0 million and \$7.0 million, and letters of credit totaling \$380,000 and \$519,000, respectively.

The Visa and MasterCard associations generally allow chargebacks up to four months after the later of the date the transaction is processed or the delivery of the product or service to the cardholder. As the majority of the Company s transactions involve the delivery of the product or service at the time of the transaction, a reasonable basis for determining an estimate of the Company s exposure to chargebacks is the last four months processing volume on its portfolio, which was \$15.5 billion and \$12.0 billion for the four months ended September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively. However, for the four months ended September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, the Company was presented with \$9.9 million and \$6.6 million, respectively, in chargebacks by issuing banks. In the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and the year ended December 31, 2005, the Company incurred merchant credit losses of \$1.0 million and \$1.2 million, respectively, on total dollar volume processed of \$31.9 billion and \$33.7 billion, respectively. These credit losses are included in processing and servicing costs in the Company s consolidated statements of operations.

The loss recorded by the Company for chargebacks associated with any individual merchant is typically small, due both to the relatively small size and the processing profile of the Company s clients. However, from time to time the Company will encounter instances of merchant fraud, and the resulting chargeback losses may be considerably more significant to the Company. The Company has established a contingent reserve for estimated currently existing credit and fraud losses on its consolidated balance sheets, amounting to \$480,000 on September 30, 2006 and \$485,000 December 31, 2005. This reserve is determined by performing an analysis of the Company s historical loss experience applied to current processing volume and exposures.

A summary of the activity in the loss reserve for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 was as follows:

	Three Mon Septem		Nine Month Septemb			
	2006	2005	2006	2005		
		(In thousands)				
Beginning balance	\$ 486	\$ 475	\$ 485	\$ 468		
Additions to reserve	363	211	1,068	835		
Charges against reserve	(369)	(205)	(1,073)	(822)		
Ending balance	\$ 480	\$ 481	\$ 480	\$ 481		

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7. Accrued Buyout Liability

A summary of the accrued buyout liability is as follows as of September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005:

	September 30, 2006	December 31, 2005	
	(In thousands)		
Vested Relationship Managers and sales managers	\$ 31,028	\$ 27,228	
Unvested Relationship Managers and sales managers	1,209	1,246	
	32,237	28,474	
Less current portion	(11,186)	(10,478)	
Long-term portion of accrued buyout liability	\$ 21,051	\$ 17,996	

In calculating the accrued buyout liability for unvested Relationship Managers and sales managers, the Company has assumed that 31% of the unvested Relationship Managers and sales managers will vest in the future, which represents the Company s historical vesting rate. A 5% increase to 36% in the expected vesting rate would have increased the accrued buyout liability for unvested Relationship Managers and sales managers by \$0.2 million at both September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005.

A summary of the activity in the accrued buyout liability for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 is as follows:

		Three Months Ended September 30,		ths Ended aber 30,	
	2006	2005	2006	2005	
		(In thousands)			
Beginning balance	\$ 30,413	\$ 29,725	\$ 28,474	\$ 27,035	
Increase in settlement obligation, net	3,663	4,167	11,746	11,838	
Buyouts	(1,839)	(6,439)	(7,983)	(11,420)	
Ending balance	\$ 32,237	\$ 27,453	\$ 32,237	\$ 27,453	

The increase in settlement obligation is due to new merchant account signings, as well as same-store sales growth and changes in gross margin, partially offset by the impact of merchant attrition.

8. Stockholders Equity

Common Stock Repurchases. On January 13, 2006, the Company s Board of Directors authorized management to repurchase up to the lesser of (a) 1,000,000 shares of the Company s common stock or (b) \$25,000,000 worth of its common stock in the open market.

On August 1, 2006, the Company s board of directors authorized management to repurchase up to 1,000,000 shares of its common stock in the open market using the proceeds from the exercise of stock options. This authorization is in addition to the 1,000,000 common shares which the board of directors had authorized on January 13, 2006.

Under these authorizations, the Company had repurchased 1,039,500 shares of its common stock during the nine months ended September 30, 2006 at a cost of \$24.4 million. Management intends to use these authorizations to repurchase shares opportunistically as a means of offsetting dilution from shares issued upon the exercise of options under employee benefit plans. Management has no obligation to repurchase shares under the authorization, and the specific timing and amount of the stock repurchase will vary based on market conditions, securities law limitations and other factors. The stock repurchase will be executed utilizing the Company s cash resources including the proceeds of stock options exercises.

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Dividends on Common Stock. On August 1, 2006, the Company s board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.025 per share of common stock, which was paid on September 15, 2006 to stockholders of record as of August 25, 2006.

On November 2, 2006, the Company s board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.025 per share of common stock, payable on December 15, 2006 to stockholders of record as of November 24, 2006.

Initial Public Offering. On August 10, 2005, the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 333-118073), which registered shares of the Company s common stock, \$0.001 par value, under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The offering consisted of 7,762,500 shares of the Company s common stock, 2,758,546 of which were sold by the Company and 5,003,954 of which were sold by certain selling stockholders at a price to the public of \$18.00 per share. Upon the closing of the offering on August 16, 2005, all outstanding shares of the Company s Series A Senior Convertible Participating Preferred Stock were automatically converted into 13,333,334 shares of common stock.

Series A Senior Convertible Participating Preferred Stock. The Company s previously outstanding Series A Senior Convertible Participating Preferred Stock (the Convertible Preferred) automatically converted into 13,333,334 shares of the Company s Common Stock upon the August 16, 2005 closing of the Company s initial public offering. Prior to that automatic conversion, the Convertible Preferred was convertible by the holders at any time, participated equally in dividends and distributions with the Common Stock, paid no other dividends and had a liquidation preference of \$80 million.

Warrants. In connection with a bridge loan, which was repaid in 2001, the Company issued 337,810 five-year mandatory redeemable warrants to purchase its Common Stock for \$0.005, which were initially valued at \$605,049. Commencing July 26, 2003, the holder could require the Company to redeem these warrants at their per share fair value. The Company had recorded these warrants as debt at their estimated fair value.

On January 8, 2004, the warrant holder elected to cause the Company to redeem 168,906 shares at the fair value of \$6.25 per share. On August 16, 2005, the closing date for the Company s initial public offering, the Company exercised its right to require the warrant holder to exercise its remaining warrants for 168,904 shares at the exercise price of \$0.005 per share.

The Company adjusted the carrying value of the warrants by \$2.6 million during the three months ended September 30, 2005 through a charge to the income statement to reflect the estimated fair value of \$26.51 per share as of August 16, 2005. For the nine months ended September 30, 2005, the Company adjusted the carrying value of the warrants by \$2.9 million. Upon the exercise of the remaining warrants on August 16, 2005, their full carrying value of \$4.5 million was transferred to stockholders equity.

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9. Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 consists of the following:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Mon Septem	
	2006	2005 (In the	2005	
Current				
Federal	\$ 5,960	\$3,119	\$ 12,644	\$ 7,753
State	(1,904)	720	(505)	1,785
Deferred				
Federal	(345)	1,354	(489)	836
State	562	314	532	194
Total provision for income taxes	\$ 4,273	\$ 5,507	\$ 12,182	\$ 10,568

The differences in federal income taxes provided and the amounts determined by applying the federal statutory tax rate of 35% to income before income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were:

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006		Nine Months Ender September 30, 2003											
	%	Amount		Amount		Amount		Amount		Amount		%	A	mount
		(In t	thousands)		(In t	housands)								
U.S. federal income tax at statutory rate	35.00%	\$	11,954	35.00%	\$	8,463								
U.S. state and local income taxes, net	1.57%		535	5.32%		1,286								
Warrants				3.04%		735								
Nondeductible expenses	0.62%		211	0.15%		37								
Prior year book to tax true up	(1.52)%		(518)											
Other, net				0.19%		47								
Provision for income taxes	35.67%	\$	12,182	43.70%	\$	10,568								

In connection with preparing its 2005 state income tax returns during the third quarter of 2006, the Company analyzed the approaches it applied for sourcing taxable income to individual states and determined that its prior approaches did not accurately reflect the income sourcing regulations of certain of those states. The Company revised those state income sourcing approaches in the third quarter of 2006, and as a result realized reductions of its 2005 state income tax expense and its 2006 estimated effective annual state tax rates. In accordance with APB 28, *Interim Financial Reporting,* the Company recorded the resulting total state tax benefit of \$1.5 million in the third quarter of 2006, of which \$0.5 million related to 2005 and \$1.0 million related to the nine months ended September 30, 2006, including \$0.4 million for the third quarter of 2006. Including the \$1.5 million of state tax benefits, the Company s overall estimated effective annual tax rates for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and the nine months ended September 30, 2006 were 29.6% and 35.7%, respectively. For the 2006 fourth quarter and full year, the Company expects its overall estimated effective annual tax rates to be approximately 37.2% and 36.2%, respectively.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2006, the Company recorded current tax assets of \$27.7 million reflecting excess tax benefits resulting from employees exercising non-qualified stock options and making disqualifying dispositions of shares acquired through their exercise of incentive stock options. The Company realized \$8.1 million of that current tax asset as reductions of estimated income tax payments during the nine months ended September 30, 2006. The Company expects to realize the remaining current tax asset as a reduction of future period estimated tax payments and by recovering the estimated tax payments it made during the nine months ended September 30, 2006. For the nine months

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ended September 30, 2006, the Company classified the \$27.7 million of excess tax benefits as a cash inflow from financing activities and a cash outflow from operating activities in its Consolidated Condensed Statement of Cash Flows in accordance with SFAS No. 123R and SFAS No. 95, as amended.

The net deferred tax asset was comprised of the following at September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005:

	September 30, 2006	December 31, 2005 housands)	
Deferred tax assets:	(III till)	, asanas)	
Merchant contract costs	\$ 21,167	\$	21,488
Borrowings and financing arrangement	91		185
Loss reserve and accounts receivable allowance	244		235
SFAS No. 123R share based compensation	138		
Property & equipment	35		
Other	16		25
Deferred tax asset	21,691		21,933
Deferred tax liabilities:			
Capitalized signing bonus	14,754		13,456
Deferred state tax liability	110		327
Software development	1,962		1,749
Property and equipment			1,432
Deferred tax liability	16,826		16,964
Net deferred tax asset	4,865		4,969
Less current portion	(806)		(1,492)
Net deferred tax asset non current portion	\$ 4,059	\$	3,477

At September 30, 2006 and December 31, 2005, the Company has determined that no valuation allowance against the net deferred tax asset was required. The Company has no federal or state net operating loss carryforwards.

10. Stock Incentive Plans

At September 30, 2006, the Company had two share-based plans for employees, which are described below. The Company adopted SFAS No. 123R on January 1, 2006 and began recognizing compensation expense in its income statement for its share-based plans. Prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 123R, the Company accounted for its stock options using the intrinsic value method under APB No. 25 in which no compensation expense has been recognized for its share-based compensation plans. Amounts the Company recognized in its financial statements for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 with respect to these share-based plans were as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months End September 30,	
	2006 2005		2006	2005
Compensation expense recognized on share-based plans before income tax benefit	\$ 303	\$	\$ 764	\$
Related income tax benefit recognized in the income statement	74		151	
Cash received from stock option exercises	5,119	6,322	25,723	6,430
Excess tax benefit recorded for tax deductions resulting from the exercise of stock options	2,547		27,661	
Tax benefit realized as reductions of estimated tax payments during the period	3,850		8,050	

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The Company estimates the grant date fair value of the stock options it issues using a Black-Scholes valuation model. The Company determines an expected volatility assumption by referencing the average volatility assumed by six of its public company peers. The Company used an average of a peer group because it does not have sufficient historical volatility data related to market trading of its own common stock. The weighted-average fair value of options granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 were \$10.81, \$5.48 and \$2.74, respectively. The fair value of options granted for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 was estimated at the grant date using the following weighted average assumptions:

	Nine Months Ended	Years Ended December 3		
	September 30, 2006	2005	2004	
Expected volatility	50%	50%	50%	
Expected life	3.75 years	3 years	1 to 3 years	
Dividends	0.40%	0.00%	0.00%	
Risk-free interest rate	4.88%	3.73%	2.31%	

At September 30, 2006, there was a total of \$1.6 million of unrecognized compensation expense related to unvested stock options. This expense is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.0 years.

Amended and Restated 2000 Equity Incentive Plan. The maximum number of share awards which may be granted during the term of the Heartland Payment Systems, Inc. Amended and Restated 2000 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2000 Equity Incentive Plan") is 11,000,000, of which 107,770 stock options were granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 1,324,437, 3,167,594 and 2,583,458 stock options were granted during 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively. The majority of the options granted in 2005, 2004 and 2003 vested immediately; however, 662,370 options as of September 30, 2006, including the options granted in 2006, are unvested and will vest over a period of one to four years. At September 30, 2006, there were 4,321,082 options outstanding under the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan, and 1,610,991 shares of the 11,000,000 authorized shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan remain available for grant. The options were granted with terms of 5 to 10 years and an exercise price equal to or in excess of the estimated fair value of the Company s common stock at the date of the grant.

2002 PEPShares Plan. The Company also has 73,571 options outstanding under its 2002 PEPShares Plan, as amended (the "PEPShares Plan"). The options were granted with an exercise price equal to or in excess of the estimated fair value of the Company s common stock at the date of the grant. The Administrator of the PEPShares Plan determined that no further grants would be made under the PEPShares Plan after December 31, 2004.

Share-Based Plan Activity. During the nine months ended September 30, 2006, employees exercised 3,969,065 options to acquire the Company's common stock, generating \$25.7 million of stockholders equity from the exercises and \$27.7 million of stockholders equity related to tax deductions, which accrued to the Company as employees exercised non-qualified stock options and made disqualifying dispositions of shares acquired through the exercise of incentive stock options. Activity in the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan and PEPShares Plan during the 2005 full year and the nine months ended September 30, 2006 was as follows:

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		2000 Equity Incentive Plan Weighted- Average Exercise		2002 PEPSH	Weighte Averag Exercis	
0 1' 1 2005	Shares		Price	Shares		Price
Outstanding at January 1, 2005	7,132,094	\$	6.23	1,538,130	\$	5.89
Issued	1,324,437	\$	14.61		\$	
Exercised	(199,771)	\$	5.54	(1,308,832)	\$	5.87
Forfeited/cancelled	(137,831)	\$	6.75	(65,402)	\$	9.52
Outstanding at December 31, 2005	8,118,929	\$	7.60	163,896	\$	5.59
Options exercisable at December 31, 2005	7,346,704	\$	7.40	163,896	\$	5.59
Issued	107,770	\$	25.65		\$	
Exercised	(3,881,740)	\$	6.52	(87,325)	\$	5.53
Forfeited/cancelled	(23,877)	\$	13.32	(3,000)	\$	5.00
Outstanding at September 30, 2006	4,321,082	\$	8.98	73,571	\$	5.69
Options exercisable at September 30, 2006	3,629,087	\$	8.39	73,571	\$	5.69

Outstanding options and exercisable options at September 30, 2006 are summarized by exercise price below:

	Outstanding Options 2000			2000 Exe	ercisable Options	
Exercise price per share	Equity Incentive Plan	2002 PEPShares Plan	Total	Equity Incentive Plan	2002 PEPShares Plan	Total
\$3.00	243,560		243,560	243,560		243,560
\$5.00	1,135,889	32,750	1,168,639	1,135,889	32,750	1,168,639
\$6.25 to \$7.50	969,533	40,821	1,010,354	763,783	40,821	804,604
\$9.28	888,981		888,981	708,981		708,981
\$9.80 to \$11.00	590,724		590,724	440,224		440,224
\$21.55 to \$21.60	150,868		150,868	138,493		138,493
\$24.22 to \$26.66	341,527		341,527	198,157		198,157
	4.321.082	73.571	4.394.653	3.629.087	73.571	3,702,658

11. Commitments and Contingencies

Litigation The Company is involved in certain legal proceedings and claims, which arise in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of the Company, the results of any of these matters, individually and in the aggregate, are not expected to have a material effect on its results of operations, financial condition or cash flows.

Leases The Company leases various office space and certain equipment under operating leases with remaining terms ranging up to eight years. The majority of the lease agreements for office space contain renewal options and generally require the Company to pay certain operating expenses.

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Future minimum lease commitments under noncancelable leases as of September 30, 2006 are as follows:

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September 30,		(In	thousands)
	2007	\$	2,042
	2008		1,441
	2009		788
	2010		628
	2011		640
Ti	nereafter		801
		\$	6,340

Rent expense for leased property was \$515,000 and \$374,000, respectively, for the three months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 and \$1.6 million and \$970,000, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2006 and 2005.

Contingencies The Company collects and stores sensitive data about its merchant customers and bank cardholders. If the Company s network security is breached or sensitive merchant or cardholder data is misappropriated, the Company could be exposed to assessments, fines or litigation costs.

12. Related Party Transactions

In July 2003, Greenhill Capital Partners, L.P. and its affiliated investment funds and LLR Equity Partners, L.P. and its affiliated investment fund granted the Company's Chief Executive Officer an irrevocable option to purchase up to an aggregate of 1,750,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock at any time on or before July 31, 2006 at a purchase price of \$7.14 per share. Various officers, directors, partners and members of Greenhill Capital Partners, L.P. and its affiliated investment funds and LLR Equity Partners, L.P. and its affiliated investment fund are members of the Company's board of directors. On February 22, 2006, Mr. Carr exercised options to purchase 1,750,000 shares of our common stock from Greenhill Capital Partners and LLR Equity Partners. As a result of this transaction, a tax deduction of \$26.4 million accrued to the Company and generated a current tax asset of \$10.7 million and a credit to Additional Paid In Capital of \$10.7 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2006.

On March 28, 2005, Carr Holdings, L.L.C., an entity controlled and managed by Robert O. Carr, the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chairman, and his wife, sold 40,000 shares of our common stock to Thomas M. Sheridan, the Company s Chief Portfolio Officer, at a price of \$9.28 per share. In addition, Carr Holdings, L.L.C. granted Mr. Sheridan an option to purchase an additional 40,000 shares of common stock at any time prior to the earlier of (i) March 31, 2006, if the Company had not consummated its initial public offering or (ii) six months and 15 days after the consummation of the Company s initial public offering. On August 8, 2005, Mr. Sheridan exercised options to purchase 12,000 shares of the Company s common stock from Carr Holdings, L.L.C. On February 22, 2006, the remaining options to purchase 28,000 shares of the Company s common stock from Carr Holdings, L.L.C. were cancelled by mutual agreement between Mr. Sheridan and Carr Holdings, L.L.C. As consideration for the cancellation, Mr. Sheridan received a payment of \$361,900 from Carr Holdings L.L.C. The amount of the consideration was determined by subtracting the \$9.28 exercise price of the options from the closing price of the Company s common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on the day before the date of this cancellation agreement, or \$22.20, and multiplying the difference by 28,000 shares.

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13. Segments

The determination of the Company s business segments is based on how the Company monitors and manages the performance of its operations. The Company s operating segments are strategic business units that offer different products and services. They are managed separately because each business requires different marketing strategies, personnel skill sets and technology.

The Company has two reportable segments, as follows: (1) Card, which provides payment processing and related services related to bank card transactions; and (2) Other. The Other segment includes Payroll, which provides payroll and related tax filing services, and PrepaidCard, which provides prepaid card and stored-value card solutions. Neither the Payroll operating segment nor the PrepaidCard operating segment meet the SFAS No. 131 *Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information* defined thresholds for determining individually reportable segments. The PrepaidCard operating segment was acquired in the 2006 acquisition of Debitek, Inc.

The Company allocates revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities to segments only where directly attributable. The unallocated corporate administration amounts are costs attributed to finance, corporate administration, human resources and corporate services. Reconciling items represent elimination of inter-segment income and expense items, and are included to reconcile segment data to the consolidated financial statements. At September 30, 2006 and 2005, 63% and 87% respectively, of the Other segment s total assets were funds that the Company holds as a fiduciary in its Payroll services activities for payment to taxing authorities. The Company only operates in the United States and does not have any major individual customers.

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A summary of the Company s segments for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2006 and 2005 were as follows:

	Card Segment	Other Segments	Unallocated Corporate Administration Amounts (In thousands)	Reconciling Items	Total Amount	
Three Months Ended September 30, 2006						
Total revenues	\$ 290,835	\$ 2,990	\$	\$ (35)	\$ 293,790	
Depreciation and amortization	1,752	86	135		1,973	
Interest income	292	139			431	
Interest expense	264				264	
Net income (loss)	13,287	108	(3,256)		10,139	
Total assets	221,261	20,082		(7,352)	233,991	
Three Months Ended September 30, 2005						
Total revenues	227,080	1,039		(27)	228,092	
Depreciation and amortization	1,336	29	86		1,451	
Interest income	178	61			239	
Interest expense	418				418	
Net income (loss)	8,881	141	(2,486)		6,536	
Total assets	182,307	10,329		(2,167)	190,469	
	Card Segment	Other Segments	Unallocated Corporate Administration Amounts (In thousands)	Reconciling Items	Total Amount	
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2006	Segment	Segments	Corporate Administration Amounts (In thousands)	Items	Amount	
Total revenues	Segment \$ 799,786	Segments \$ 8,968	Corporate Administration Amounts (In thousands)	8	Amount \$ 808,645	
Total revenues Depreciation and amortization	Segment \$ 799,786 4,888	\$ 8,968 263	Corporate Administration Amounts (In thousands)	Items	Amount \$ 808,645 5,536	
Total revenues Depreciation and amortization Interest income	\$ 799,786 4,888 859	\$ 8,968 263 402	Corporate Administration Amounts (In thousands)	Items	\$ 808,645 5,536 1,261	
Total revenues Depreciation and amortization Interest income Interest expense	\$ 799,786 4,888 859 582	\$ 8,968 263 402 26	Corporate Administration Amounts (In thousands) \$ 385	Items	\$ 808,645 5,536 1,261 608	
Total revenues Depreciation and amortization Interest income Interest expense Net income (loss)	\$ 799,786 4,888 859 582 31,076	\$ 8,968 263 402 26 418	Corporate Administration Amounts (In thousands)	\$ (109)	\$ 808,645 5,536 1,261 608 21,972	
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14. Earnings Per Share

The Company presents earnings per share data in accordance with SFAS No. 128, Earnings Per Share , as amended, (SFAS 128), which establishes the standards for the computation and presentation of basic and diluted earnings per share data. Under SFAS 128, the dilutive effect of stock options is excluded from the calculation of basic earnings per share but included in diluted earnings per share.

Weighted average shares outstanding and dilutive securities for the nine months ended September 30, 2005 have been adjusted to reflect a two-for-one stock split on July 26, 2005. The following is a reconciliation of the amounts used to calculate basic and diluted earnings per share:

	Se	Three Months Ended September 30, 2006 2005 (in thou			Septem 2006		nths Ended nber 30, 2005	
Basic:								
Weighted average common stock outstanding	36,9	939	24	1,995	36,09	6	19,331	
Earnings per share	\$ 0.	.27	\$	0.21	\$ 0.6	1	\$ 0.46	
Diluted: Net income attributable to common shares Plus: income allocated to Series A Senior Convertible Participating Preferred Stock	\$ 10,1	139		5,210 1,326	\$ 21,97	2	\$ 8,883 4,728	
Net income	\$ 10,1	139	\$ 6	5,536	\$ 21,97	2	\$ 13,611	
Basic weighted average common stock outstanding Effect of dilutive instruments:	36,9	939	24	1,995	36,09	6	19,331	
Stock options	3.0	16	-	5,781	3,82	5	4,666	
Warrants	3,0	,10		86	3,02	3	141	
Series A Senior Convertible Participating Preferred Stock			7	7,785			12,726	
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	39,9) 55	38	3,647	39,92	1	36,864	
Earnings per share	\$ 0	.25	\$					