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Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

PAYNE MELVIN C

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			CARRIAGE SERVICES INC [CSV]				[CSV]	(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3040 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 300			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/27/2013						X Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) CEO			
HOUSTON	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) N, TX 77056				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ear) Execution any	on Date, if Transactior(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
Common Stock	09/27/2013			G	·	Amount 500	D	\$ 18.91	1,384,294	D		
Common Stock	09/27/2013			G		500	D	\$ 18.91	1,383,794	D		
Common Stock									3,518	I	Spouse	
Common Stock									70,000	I	daughter in same household	

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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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Derivativ Security (Instr. 3)	e Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	.		Amoun Underly Securit (Instr. 2	ying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title 1	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PAYNE MELVIN C 3040 POST OAK BLVD SUITE 300 HOUSTON, TX 77056	X		CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Melvin C.
Payne

**Signature of Reporting Person

O9/30/2013

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).

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