

Brown Sanford C
Form 4
May 13, 2009

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Brown Sanford C

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
HEARTLAND PAYMENT
SYSTEMS INC [HPY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/11/2009

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Chief Sales Officer

PRINCETON, NJ 08542

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
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			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 Options (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 8.88	05/11/2009		A		65,000		⁽²⁾	05/11/2014	Common Stock	65,000
Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	⁽⁴⁾	05/11/2009		A		15,000		⁽⁵⁾	⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Brown Sanford C C/O HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC. 90 NASSAU STREET PRINCETON, NJ 08542			Chief Sales Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Sanford C.
Brown

05/13/2009

 Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The award was granted under Heartland Payment System, Inc.'s (the "Company") 2008 Equity Incentive Plan.

(2) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on May 11, 2010.

(3) Sanford Brown also beneficially 14,370 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Common Stock").

(4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.

(5) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning May 11, 2010. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person as soon as administratively practicable following the vesting of the restricted stock unit.

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