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Form 8-K

May 12, 2006

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 8, 2006

HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	000-51265	22-3755714
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File No)	(I.R.S. Employer 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)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communication pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communication pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02(b) Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

Effective as of May 8, 2006, Michael C. Hammer resigned as the Chief Operations Officer of the Company but will continue as an employee of the Company. Mr. Hammer and the Company are negotiating the terms of an agreement for his continued employment.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: May 12, 2006

Heartland Payment Systems, Inc.

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(Registrant)

By: /s/ Robert H.B. Baldwin, Jr.

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Robert H.B. Baldwin, Jr.  
Chief Financial Officer