MILLER MELVIN E

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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obligations

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			INC [HTLF]				USA	(Check all applicable)				
(Last) 1398 CENT	(Last) (First) (Middle) 398 CENTRAL AVE.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/02/2011					Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Investment Officer			
DUBUQUI	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						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secui	rities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year 08/02/2011) Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	ion(A) or I (D) (Instr. 3	Oispose , 4 and (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 17,250 (3) (5)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock							10.4	6,230	I	IRA		
Common Stock								7,680	I	Retirement Fund		
Common Stock								3,899 (4)	I	HRT Retirement Plan		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day/	Date Exercisable and biration Date onth/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	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 8.8					(2)	01/15/2012	Common Stock	6,000	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 11.84					(2)	01/21/2013	Common Stock	4,500	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 19.48					(2)	01/20/2014	Common Stock	3,000	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21					(2)	02/10/2015	Common Stock	5,000	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 21.6					(2)	02/06/2016	Common Stock	1,500	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.65					(2)	01/16/2017	Common Stock	1,500	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.6					(2)	01/24/2018	Common Stock	2,500	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MILLER MELVIN E 1398 CENTRAL AVE. DUBUQUE, IA 52001

Chief Investment Officer

Signatures

/s/ Melvin E. 08/02/2011

**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) Shares held jointly with reporting person's spouse.
- (2) Represents options to buy granted under the Company's Stock Option Plan, a Rule 16(b)(3) plan, which options vest one-third per year beginning on the 3rd anniversary of date of grant.
- (3) Includes 593 Restricted Stock Awards granted under the 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (4) Represents shares allocated to the reporting person's account under the Heartland Financial USA, Inc. Retirement Plan as a result of the Pension Plan Protection Act of 2006.
- Includes 7,600 Restricted Stock Units (RSU). Each RSU represents the right to receive one share of common stock. The grant vests in three equal installments on the third, fourth and fifth anniversaries of the grant date. The RSU grant is subject to the settlement restrictions under the TARP.

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