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

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Haider Thomas E			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MONEYGRAM INTERNATIONAL INC [MGI]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	08/17/2006	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
1550 UTICA	A AVENUE	E SOUTH		(61 1				
(Street)			(Check all applicable))	6. Individual or Joint/Group	
MINNEAPC	DLIS, MN	IÂ 55416		Director X_ Officer (give title below VP, Chief O	Other	ow)	Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	ies Ber	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Natu Owner (Instr.	1	
Common Sto	ock		800		D	Â		
Common Sto	ock		2,874		Ι	By 40	01(k)	
Reminder: Repo owned directly		ate line for ea	ch class of securities benefici	^{ially} S	EC 1473 (7-02	2)		

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
			Derivative	Security:	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	08/20/1999	08/20/2007	Common Stock	500	\$ 13.9671	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	05/11/2000	05/11/2008	Common Stock	700	\$ 18.8687	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	05/10/2001	05/10/2009	Common Stock	800	\$ 22.4616	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/17/2002	02/17/2010	Common Stock	1,800	\$ 18.6069	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/15/2003	02/15/2011	Common Stock	4,525	\$ 19.1875	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	03/26/2004	03/26/2012	Common Stock	1,626	\$ 20.7979	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	03/26/2004	03/26/2012	Common Stock	4,774	\$ 20.7979	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/19/2006	02/19/2013	Common Stock	1,521	\$ 15.6165	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/19/2006	02/19/2013	Common Stock	4,879	\$ 15.6165	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	02/18/2011	Common Stock	5,200	\$ 19.3208	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	02/16/2015	Common Stock	3,100	\$ 20.51	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(<u>3)</u>	02/15/2016	Common Stock	4,500	\$ 27.245	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director 10% Owner Officer		Officer	Other		
Haider Thomas E 1550 UTICA AVENUE SOUTH MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55416	Â	Â	\hat{A} VP, Chief Compliance Officer	Â		
Signatures						
Teresa Johnson on behalf of Thomas E. Haider			/21/2006			

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The option vests in five equal annual installments beginning on February 18, 2005.
- (2) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2006.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 15, 2007.

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