HORSTMANN DOUGLAS J

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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			HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA INC [HTLF]				USA	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
1398 CENT	01/19/2010					SVP, Lending					
(Street) 4. If Amendment, E Filed(Month/Day/Ye					1		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
DUBUQUE	z, IA 52001						Person				
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi onAcquirec Disposec (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	01/19/2010			A	5,000 (7)	A	\$0	125,747 (3) (5) (6) (8)	D		
Common Stock								10,516	I	401(k)	
Common Stock								27,000	I	By Spouse	
Common Stock								5,204 (4)	I	HTLF Retirement Plan	

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)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day/ e	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	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 8.67					(2)	06/01/2011	Common Stock	3,000	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 8.8					(2)	01/15/2012	Common Stock	1,500	
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	3,000	
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	1,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HORSTMANN DOUGLAS J 1398 CENTRAL AVE. DUBUQUE, IA 52001

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Signatures

/s/ Douglas J. Horstmann 01/21/2010

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (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 2,583 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.
- (5) Includes 10,000 shares held in street name @ LPL Financial.
- (6) Includes 3,000 shares held in street name at Howe Barnes Investments
- Represents a grant of Restricted Stock Units (RSU) by the Board of Directors at its discretion. 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.
- (8) Includes 5,000 Restricted Stock Units(RSU).

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