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#### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> Hinckle I		orting	2. Date of Event Requirin Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMPUTER PROGRAMS & SYSTEMS INC [CPSI]							
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	10/29/2004		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			
6600 WALL STREET (Street) MOBILE, AL 36608				Director X Officer (give title below	(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Vice PresFinancial Software		<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group</li> <li>Filing(Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting</li> <li>Person</li> <li> Form filed by More than One</li> <li>Reporting Person</li> </ul>				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I -	Non-Derivat	ive Secur	ities B	ties Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount Beneficiall (Instr. 4)	of Securities y Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	o Own (Inst	ature of Indire ership r. 5)	ect Beneficial			
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Amount or

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Shares

Security:

Direct (D)

or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

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Employee stock options (right to buy)	(1)	05/24/2009	Common Stock	1,354	\$ 16.5	D	Â
Employee stock options (right to buy)	(1)	05/24/2009	Common Stock	1,084	\$ 16.5	Ι	By spouse.

## **Reporting Owners**

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

attorney

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Hinckle Robert D 6600 WALL STREET MOBILE, AL 36608	Â	Â	Vice PresFinancial Software	Â	
Signatures					
Darrell G. West, as power of		02/07/200	)5		

### **Explanation of Responses:**

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(1) 50% of the options are exercisable on May 24, 2005, and 50% of the options are exercisable on May 24, 2007.

Date

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