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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Person * Allback J		oorting	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MONEYGRAM INTERNATIONAL INC [MGI]						
(Last) 2828 NORT	(First)	(Middle)	09/05/2012	4. Relationsh Person(s) to	iip of Reporting Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Ori Filed(Month/Day/Year)	ginal			
STREET, 15		_		(Check	all applicable)					
(Street) DALLAS, TX 75201				Directo _X Officer (give title belo EVP&Chief	Other	ow) _X_ Form filed by One Report	e) ting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Common Sto	ock		1,000		I	By Jeffrey J. Allback & Del Allback Trust	ora D.			
Common Sto	ock (1)		2,290 (1)		D	Â				
Common Sto	ock		57		I	By 401(k) Plan				
Reminder: Repo		ate line for ea	ach class of securities benefic	ially	SEC 1473 (7-02)				
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	(3)	05/10/2021	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 29.84	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy) (4)	(5)	11/17/2021	Common Stock	4,290	\$ 17.03	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Other

Director 10% Owner Officer

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2828 NORTH HARWOOD STREET, 15TH FLOOR EVP&Chief Information Officer Â DALLAS, TXÂ 75201

Signatures

/s/ Corinna Ulrich, attorney-in-fact

09/07/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).

Represents the target number of shares of common stock that can be awarded upon vesting of performance-based restricted stock units granted as of the date of this report upon achieving target performance goals over the performance period of January 1, 2012 through

- December 31, 2014, with 50% of the restricted stock units vesting if the performance goal is achieved as of the second anniversary of the grant date and 50% of the restricted stock units vesting if the performance goal is achieved as of the third anniversary of the grant date. If the target performance goal is not met but a certain threshold is achieved, or if a maximum performance goal is achieved, the reporting person will be entitled to from 50% up to 200% of the restricted stock units vesting for the period, respectively.
- Non-qualified stock option granted pursuant to the MoneyGram International, Inc. 2005 Omnibus Incentive Plan, as amended, pursuant to a Stock Option Agreement dated May 10, 2011.

Options for 50% of the shares are considered "Time Vested" and options for 50% of the shares are considered "Performance Vested." The Time Vested options will vest in equal installments over five years on the anniversary of the grant date. Half of the Performance Vested options will vest when the Corporation's common stock closes at or above \$36.00 per share for 20 consecutive trading days during the

- (3) five-year period following the grant date, and the other half of the Performance Vested options will vest when the Corporation's common stock closes at or above \$42.00 per share for 20 consecutive trading days during the five-year period following the grant date. If the shares of common stock of the Corporation are not publicly traded, then vesting for the options that are Performance Vested will vest in the manner set forth in the stock option agreement.
- Non-qualified stock option granted pursuant to the MoneyGram International, Inc. 2005 Omnibus Incentive Plan, as amended, pursuant to a Stock Option Agreement dated November 17, 2011.
- (5) Options will vest in four equal installments over four years on each anniversary of the grant date.

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