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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LASRY MARC Issuer Symbol Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Co (Check all applicable) [HMHC]

11/19/2013

3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X__ 10% Owner __ Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year)

below)

C/O AVENUE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT II, L.P., 399 PARK AVENUE, 6TH FLOOR

(First)

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City)	(State)	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative Se	curiti	es Acqı	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	osed o	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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	11/19/2013		S	8,359 (1) (2) (3)	` ′		47,371	I	See Footnote (5)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	11/19/2013		S	497,735 (1) (2) (3)	D	\$ 12 (4)	2,820,503	I	See Footnote (6)
Common Stock,	11/19/2013		S	166,666 (1) (2) (3)	D	\$ 12 (4)	944,446	I	See Footnote

\$0.01 par value							<u>(7)</u>
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	11/19/2013	S	136,693 (1) (2) (3)	D	\$12 (4) 774,595	I	See Footnote (8)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	11/19/2013	S	478,764 (1) (2) (3)	D	\$12 (4) 2,712,998	I	See Footnote (9)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	11/19/2013	S	723,991 (1) (2) (3)	D	\$12 (4) 4,102,617	I	See Footnote
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	11/19/2013	S	20,641 (1) (2) (3)	D	\$ 12 (4) 116,967	I	See Footnote (11)

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. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	5. nNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	v	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reporting Owners 2

X

X

X

LASRY MARC

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Signatures

Avenue Capital Management II, L.P. By: Avenue Capital Management II GenPar, L.L.C., its General Partner, By: /s/ Eric Ross, attorney in fact for Marc Lasry, Managing Member

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Avenue Capital Management II GenPar, L.L.C. By: /s/ Eric Ross, attorney in fact for Marc Lasry, Managing Member

11/19/2013

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Date

/s/ Eric Ross, attorney in fact for Marc Lasry

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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).
 - The filing of this Form 4 shall not be construed as an admission that Avenue Capital Management II, L.P. ("Avenue Capital Management"), Avenue Capital Management II GenPar, LLC ("Avenue Capital Management GenPar") or Marc Lasry (collectively, the
- (1) "Controlling Persons") is or was for the purposes of Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise the beneficial owner of any of the Common Stock of the Issuer directly held by Avenue-CDP Global Opportunities Fund, L.P. ("Avenue-CDP"), Avenue International Master, L.P. (Continued in footnote 2)
 - ("Avenue International Master"), Avenue Investments, L.P. ("Avenue Investments"), Avenue Special Opportunities Fund I, L.P. ("Avenue Special Opportunities"), Avenue Special Situations Fund V, L.P. ("Avenue Fund V"), Avenue Special Situations Fund VI
- (2) (Master), L.P. ("Avenue Fund VI Master") and Managed Accounts Master Fund Services MAP10 ("MAP10", and together with Avenue-CDP, Avenue International Master, Avenue Investments, Avenue Special Opportunities, Avenue Fund VI Master, collectively the "Funds").
 - As Avenue Capital Management only receives an asset-based fee, neither Avenue Capital Management nor Avenue Capital
- (3) Management GenPar have a pecuniary interest in the shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Company (the "Issuer") held by the Funds. Pursuant to Rule 16a-1, the Controlling Persons disclaim such beneficial ownership except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.
- (4) The net proceeds received by the Funds, and, consequently, the indirect profit received by Mr. Lasry, may be affected by certain transaction expenses, including fees of counsel.
- After giving effect to the transactions reported herein, Avenue-CDP holds directly 47,731 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. Mr.

 (5) Lasry has an indirect pecuniary interest in such shares due to his ownership of entities that receive a portion of the profits allocation related to Avenue-CDP.
- After giving effect to the transactions reported herein, Avenue International Master holds directly 2,820,503 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. Mr. Lasry has an indirect pecuniary interest in such shares due to his ownership of entities that receive a portion of the profits allocation related to Avenue International Master.

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- After giving effect to the transactions reported herein, Avenue Investments holds directly 944,446 shares of Common Stock of the

 (7) Issuer. Mr. Lasry has an indirect pecuniary interest in such shares due to his ownership of entities that receive a portion of the profits allocation related to Avenue Investments.
- After giving effect to the transactions reported herein, Avenue Special Opportunities holds directly 774,595 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. Mr. Lasry has an indirect pecuniary interest in such shares due to his ownership of entities that receive a portion of the profits allocation related to Avenue Special Opportunities.
- After giving effect to the transactions reported herein, Avenue Fund V holds directly 2,712,998 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer.

 (9) Mr. Lasry has an indirect pecuniary interest in such shares due to his ownership of entities that receive a portion of the profits allocation related to Avenue Fund V.
- After giving effect to the transactions reported herein, Avenue Fund VI Master holds directly 4,102,617 shares of Common Stock of the (10) Issuer. Mr. Lasry has an indirect pecuniary interest in such shares due to his ownership of entities that receive a portion of the profits allocation related to Avenue Fund VI Master.
- After giving effect to the transactions reported herein, MAP10 holds directly 116,967 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. Mr. Lasry (11) has an indirect pecuniary interest in such shares due to his ownership of entities that receive a portion of the profits allocation related to MAP10.

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