GLOBAL PAYMENTS INC Form 8-K April 23, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 23, 2010

Commission file number 001-16111

GLOBAL PAYMENTS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Georgia (State or other jurisdiction of

58-2567903 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

10 Glenlake Parkway, North Tower, Atlanta, Georgia (Address of principal executive offices)

30328-3473 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 770-829-8234

NONE

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the flowing provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On April 23, 2010, Global Payments Inc. (the Company), a Georgia corporation, issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors has approved a share repurchase program that authorized the purchase of up to \$100 million of Global Payments stock in the open market or as otherwise may be determined by the Company, subject to market conditions, business opportunities, and other factors. This authorization has no expiration date and may be suspended or terminated at any time. Repurchased shares will be retired but will be available for future issuance. In addition, the Company has \$13 million remaining under the authorization from the Company s original share repurchase program initiated during fiscal 2007.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated April 23, 2010

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Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Global Payments Inc. (Registrant)

Date: April 23, 2010 By: /s/ David E. Mangum
David E. Mangum

David E. Mangum Chief Financial Officer