

EBERLE ROBERT A  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
EBERLE ROBERT A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BOTTOMLINE TECHNOLOGIES INC /DE/ [EPAY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/14/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President and COO

C/O BOTTOMLINE TECHNOLOGIES, 325 CORPORATE DRIVE  
(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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PORTSMOUTH, NH 03801  
(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	12/14/2005		M	A	13,624	\$ 8.19	101,819 D
Common Stock	12/14/2005		M	A	4,376	\$ 5.87	106,195 D
Common Stock	12/14/2005		S	D	15,000	\$ 12.47	91,195 D
Common Stock	12/14/2005		S	D	3,205	\$ 12.48	87,990 D
	12/16/2005		G	V	990	\$ 0	87,000 D

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Common  
Stock

Common Stock 12/16/2005 G V 3,000 D \$ 0 84,000 D

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.19	12/14/2005		M	13,624	02/21/2003 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/21/2012	Common Stock	13,624
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.87	12/14/2005		M	4,376	05/13/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 05/13/2013	Common Stock	4,376

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EBERLE ROBERT A C/O BOTTOMLINE TECHNOLOGIES 325 CORPORATE DRIVE PORTSMOUTH, NH 03801			President and COO	

## Signatures

Robert A.  
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12/16/2005

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## 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).

This grant is exercisable in installments over a four year period commencing one year after the grant date, with 25% becoming vested one (1) year after the date of grant and an additional 6.25% of the original number of shares at the end of each successive three-month period following the first anniversary of the grant date until the fourth anniversary of the grant date.

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