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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 *
 Horowitz Steven L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

BANKRATE, INC., 11760 US
 HIGHWAY 1 SUITE 200

(Street)

NORTH PALM BEACH, FL 33408

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BANKRATE INC [RATE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/25/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP-Gen Mgr Online Properties

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 (A) 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common stock | 09/25/2009 | | D | | 6,258 | D | \$ 28.5 |
| Common stock | 09/25/2009 | | D ⁽¹⁾ | | 47,500 | D | \$ 28.5 |
| Common stock | 09/25/2009 | | M | | 9,709 | A | \$ 10.3 |
| Common stock | 09/25/2009 | | D | | 9,709 | D | \$ 28.5 |

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee stock option | \$ 10.3 | 09/25/2009 | | M | 9,709 | 10/25/2005 | 10/25/2011 | Common stock | 9,709 |
| Employee stock option | \$ 10.3 | 09/25/2009 | | D ⁽²⁾ | 22,791 | 10/25/2005 | 10/25/2011 | Common stock | 22,791 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Horowitz Steven L BANKRATE, INC. 11760 US HIGHWAY 1 SUITE 200 NORTH PALM BEACH, FL 33408 | | | SVP-Gen Mgr Online Properties | |

Signatures

Steven L. Horowitz 09/30/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

By: Robert J. DeFranco, 09/30/2009
Attorney-In-Fact

**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).

(1) Payment with respect to these shares of restricted stock were made net of applicable withholding taxes.

(2)

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Stock options were cancelled in exchange for the difference between \$28.50 and the exercise price pursuant to the merger of Ben Merger Sub, Inc. with and into Bankrate, Inc.

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