

Bankrate, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
Esterow Kenneth S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BANKRATE, INC., 11760 US
HIGHWAY ONE, 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)
10/01/2013

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 - Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 | 10/01/2013 | | A | | 125,000 (1) | A | \$ 0 |
| | | | | | 125,000 (1) | 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)

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| 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option | \$ 20.77 | 10/01/2013 | | A | 250,000 (2) | (3) 10/01/2020 | Common Stock | 250,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Esterow Kenneth S C/O BANKRATE, INC. 11760 US HIGHWAY ONE, SUITE 200 NORTH PALM BEACH, FL 33408 | | | SVP - Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ James R. Gilmartin, as attorney-in-fact
10/02/2013
**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).
Grant of 125,000 shares of restricted stock under the Bankrate, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (1) One-fourth of the restricted shares will vest on September 9, 2014, and the remainder of the award is scheduled to vest in 36 equal monthly installments, beginning October 9, 2014.
- (2) Grant of option with respect to 250,000 shares of common stock of the Issuer under the Bankrate, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (3) One-fourth of the option will vest on September 9, 2014, and the remainder of the award is scheduled to vest in 36 equal monthly installments, beginning October 9, 2014.

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