

COMPUTER PROGRAMS & SYSTEMS INC  
Form 8-K  
December 23, 2004

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): December 22, 2004

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**COMPUTER PROGRAMS AND SYSTEMS, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
  
of Incorporation)

**000-49796**  
(Commission File Number)

**74-3032373**  
(IRS Employer  
  
Identification No.)

**6600 Wall Street,**  
  
**Mobile, Alabama**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**36695**  
(Zip Code)

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(251) 639-8100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS**

Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan

J. Boyd Douglas, Jr., the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer and a director of Computer Programs and Systems, Inc. ( CPSI ), has entered into a written trading plan (the Plan ) relating to future sales of a part of his shares of CPSI common stock. The Plan is intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Mr. Douglas entered into the Plan in order to diversify his financial holdings. The Plan will also enable him to sell shares over a period of time without significantly affecting the market for CPSI common stock. Under the Plan, Mr. Douglas will have no control over the timing of any sales of his CPSI common stock.

The Plan will commence on February 4, 2005 and will expire on March 31, 2006. During the term of the Plan, the selected broker is authorized to sell up to 25,000 shares of CPSI common stock. The broker may sell shares of Mr. Douglas CPSI common stock at such times as the broker, in its sole discretion, may select in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

**SIGNATURES**

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

**COMPUTER PROGRAMS AND SYSTEMS, INC.**

Date: December 23, 2004

By: /s/ M. Stephen Walker

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M. Stephen Walker  
Vice President Finance and  
Chief Financial Officer