

CARLSON LEROY T JR
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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 *
 CARLSON LEROY T JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC /DE/ [TDS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/05/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President and CEO

CHICAGO, IL 60602

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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(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 (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
Special Common Shares	12/05/2005		F ⁽³⁾		3,908	D	\$ 35.25
Common Shares	12/05/2005		M ⁽¹⁾		3,614	A	2,724.966
Special Common Shares	12/05/2005		M ⁽¹⁾		3,614	A	12,337.4397
Common Shares	12/05/2005		F ⁽²⁾		977	D	\$ 36.78

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- (2) Delivery of common shares as settlement for taxes due in connection with the exercise of Employee Stock Options acquired under the Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan.
- (3) Delivery of mature special common shares in payment of exercise price of Employee Stock Options acquired under the Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan.

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