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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HERBERT C THEODORE			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) 30 N. LASA	(First) (M	fiddle)	3. Date of (Month/Da 06/17/20						Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) VP Human Resources			
CHICAGO,	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any		med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	4. SecurionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D))	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)	
Common Shares	06/17/2008			M		5,190	A	<u>(1)</u>	23,381	D		
Special Common Shares	06/17/2008			M		5,190	A	(1)	32,314	D		
Special Common Shares	06/17/2008			F		5,190	D	(2)	27,124	D		
Common Shares	06/17/2008			F		979	D	<u>(2)</u>	22,402	D		

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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)	action Date 3A. Deemed 4. Day/Year) Execution Date, if Tran any Code (Month/Day/Year) (Insti		Secu Acqu (A) o Disp (D)	or cosed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	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
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 39.75	06/17/2008		M		5,190	12/15/1998	06/22/2008	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares	5,190

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HERBERT C THEODORE 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000 CHICAGO, IL 60451

VP Human Resources

Signatures

Julie D. Mathews, by power of atty 06/18/2008

**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).
- As a result of the special common dividend on 5/13/05, all options to purchase common shares were adjusted into tandem options. The tandem option provides that upon exercise, the optionee purchases the number of common shares originally subject to the option plus an equal number of special common shares.

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- (2) Withholding of shares to pay exercise price and taxes.
- (3) Granted under the long term incentive plan.

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