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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL **OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Form 4

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Transactions Reported

| Reported | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|--------------|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Name and Add Carlson Prude | * | ing Person * | 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) | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2012 | _X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | |
| 30 N. LASAL | LE ST. STE | E. 4000 | | | | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting | | | |
| | | | | (check applicable line) | | | |
| CHICAGO,Â | ILÂ 60602 | | | _X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

Person

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non-Dei | rivative Se | curiti | ies Acq | 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. Securi Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, | (A) o of (D |)) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common Shares | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 51,891.37 | D | Â | | | |
| Common Shares | 10/12/2012 | Â | J(3) | 4,553 | D | \$ (3) | 1,720,560.978 (1) | I | By Voting Trust | | | |
| Common Shares | 10/12/2012 | Â | J <u>(3)</u> | 4,553 | A | \$ <u>(3)</u> | 1,720,560.978 (1) | I | By Voting Trust | | | |

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 Deriva Securit Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 4, and | ative ities red sed | 6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/ | ate | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4 | ecurities |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|------------------------------|--|-----------------|---|------------------------------|
| | | | | | (A) (| (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Series A Common Shares | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | (4) | (4) | Common Shares | 195,253.7427 |
| Series A Common | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | (4) | (4) | Common Shares | 1,871,520.45 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|------|--|--|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Othe | | | | |
| Carlson Prudence E 30 N. LASALLE ST. STE. 4000 | ÂΧ | Â | Â | Â | | | | |
| CHICAGO, IL 60602 | | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Julie D. Mathews, by power of atty

01/16/2013

**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).
- Reporting person is one of four trustees of a voting trust which is record owner of these common shares and which files its holdings on a Form 4. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed with respect to 34,654.729 common shares held for the benefit of spouse and children.

 Includes 24,011.34 in reporting person's name and 975,216 in reporting person's Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (GRAT) both held for the benefit of the reporting person and 686,678.909 held by family partnerships of which reporting person is a general partner.
- Reporting person is one of four trustees of a voting trust which is record owner of these Series A Common shares and which files its
 (2) holdings on a Form 4. Beneficial ownership is disclaimed with respect to 31,498.721 Series A common shares held for the benefit of spouse and children. Includes 1,840,021.736 shares which are held by family partnerships of which reporting person is a general partner.

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- On Oct 12, the reporting person transferred voting trust certificates representing 4553 common shares from reporting person's GRAT to reporting person individually. The reporting person previously reported all securities held in her name and through a GRAT. Accordingly, the transfer of voting trust certificates did not result in any change in the number of securities reported as beneficially owned by the reporting person.
- (4) Series A Common shares are convertible on a share for share basis into common.

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