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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * OFF GEORGE W			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) LLE ST. STE.	3. Date of (Month/Date 05/13/20	ay/Year)		nsaction			_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)					
					. If Amendment, Date Original iled(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person			
CHICAGO,							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									lly Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any		emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities nAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Pr))	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)		
Special Common Shares	05/13/2005			J(2)	V	3,631	A	<u>(2)</u>	3,631	D			
Common Shares	08/24/2005			A		21	A	<u>(1)</u>	3,883	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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				C 1 W	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer Other Director

OFF GEORGE W 30 N. LASALLE ST. STE. 4000 X CHICAGO, IL 60602

Signatures

Julie D. Mathews, by power 08/25/2005 of atty

**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).
- (1) Shares acquired pursuant to a compensation plan for non-employee directors.

On May 13 TDS authorized a special common dividend to holders of common shares in which one special common share was distributed (2) for each common share. The stock dividend was distributed to all shareholders making this acquisition exempt from Section 16 pursuant to Rule 16a-9(a).

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