

TELEPHONE &amp; DATA SYSTEMS INC /DE/

Form 4

October 03, 2005

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CARLSON WALTER CD

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)

09/30/2005

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

CHICAGO, IL 60602

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)<br>(A)<br>or<br>(D) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|--|---|
|                                       |   |   | Code                                    | V  | Amount  | (D)  | Price   |
| Special<br>Common<br>Shares           |   |   |   |  | 5,029.778   | D  |   |
| Special<br>Common<br>Shares           |   |   |   |  | 1,887,309.84<br>(2)   | I  | By Voting<br>Trust  |
| Common<br>Shares                      | 09/30/2005                              |   | A                                       |  | 488   | A  | (1) 5,171.527   |

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                 | 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 |
| Series A Common shares                     | (3)  |                                      |  |                                |   | (3)  | (3)             | Common Shares or Special Common Shares                        | 872.23                     |
| Series A Common shares                     | (3)  |                                      |  |                                |   | (3)  | (3)             | Common Shares or Special Common Shares                        | 1,887,309.83               |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships                    |
|---|----------------------------------|
|   | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| CARLSON WALTER CD<br>30 N. LASALLE ST. STE. 4000<br>CHICAGO, IL 60602 | X                                |

## Signatures

Julie D. Mathews, by power  
of atty 09/30/2005

\_\_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.

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Reporting person is one of four trustees which is record owner of these shares and while files its holdings on forms 4. Of these shares, 106252.45 (including 4997.45 shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan) are held as custodian for children, 7770 are held  
(2) by wife and 681417.1 (including 11420.10 acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan) are held by family partnership of which reporting person is a general partner. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by wife and the shares held as custodian for children. The remaining shares include 70,694.96 shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan.

(3) Series A Common shares are convertible, on a share-for-share basis, into common or special common shares.

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