

TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC /DE/  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 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)  
 02/21/2006

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

CHICAGO, IL 60602  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Special Common Shares	02/21/2006		A	50	A 11	5,117.7	D
Special Common Shares						1,891,795.33 (4)	I By Voting Trust
Common Shares						5,825.9	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 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)	8. P... Der... Sec... (Ins...	
				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	878.5
Series A Common shares	(3)					(3)	(3)	Common Shares or Special Common Shares	1,897,944.8

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Julie D. Mathews, by power of atty 02/22/2006

\*\*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, 107,012.9 (including 5760.9 shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan) are held as custodian for children, 7770 are held

(2) by wife and 686294.63 (including 16297.63 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 75692 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.

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, 107,054.4 (including 5799.4 shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan) are held as custodian for children, 7770 are held

(4) by wife and 683158.1 (including 13161.1 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 72637.5 shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan.

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