ExlService Holdings, Inc.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Bhalla Vikas

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

10/19/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ExlService Holdings, Inc. [EXLS]

C/O EXLSERVICE

HOLDINGS, INC., Â 350 PARK

AVENUE

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Director

10% Owner

_X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) VP, Operations of EXL India 6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK. NYÂ 10022

(City) (State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

(I)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Form: (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (1) 83,888

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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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

5. 4. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (Right to Buy) (1)	(2)	01/01/2013	Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	20,000	\$ 0.12	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy) (1)	(3)	07/27/2016	Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	10,000	\$ 11.88	D	Â
Restricted Stock (1)	(4)	(4)	Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	6,000	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 3	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Bhalla Vikas						
C/O EXLSERVICE HOLDINGS, INC.	â	â	VP, Operations of EXL India	â		
350 PARK AVENUE	А	Α	A VP, Operations of EAL findia			
NEW YORK, NY 10022						

Signatures

/s/ Vikas Bhalla 10/19/2006

**Signature of Person Date

**Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- In connection with the consummation by ExlService Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") of its initial public offering, the Company will effect (1) a two for one stock split (the "Stock Split") of all of its outstanding shares of common stock. The amounts in this Form 3 reflect such Stock Split.
- (2) 10,000 of these options are currently vested and the remaining 10,000 will vest on January 1, 2007. Upon vesting, options are immediately exerciseable.
- 10% of these options will vest on April 20, 2007, an additional 20% of these options will vest on April 20, 2008, an additional 30% of these options will vest on April 20, 2009, and the remaining 40% of these options will vest on April 20, 2010. Upon vesting, options are immediately exerciseable.
- (4) 100% of the shares of restricted stock vest on April 20, 2009.
- (5) Not applicable

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Remarks:

EXHIBITÂ LIST:

Exhibit 24.1 -- Power of Attorney

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