

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

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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 LEROY T**

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)

**TELEPHONE AND DATA SYSTEMS, INC., 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**01/03/2005**

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

(Street)  
**CHICAGO, IL 60602**

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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			
Common Shares					866.5	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)**

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Series A Common Shares	(1)					(1) (1)	Common Shares
Series A Common Shares	(1)	01/03/2005		G	4,544	(1) (1)	Common Shares
Deferred Compensation	(2)	03/18/2005		A	3,119.332	(2) (2)	Common Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CARLSON LEROY T TELEPHONE AND DATA SYSTEMS, INC. 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000 CHICAGO, IL 60602	X		Chairman Emeritus	

## Signatures

Julie D. Mathews, by power of atty 03/22/2005

\*\*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) Series A Common shares are convertible, on a share-for-share basis, into common.  
Reporting person deferred 2004 bonus pursuant to the 1998 Long Term Incentive Plan. Previously, the reporting person has deferred 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 bonuses. The deferred bonuses total 22,623.4 shares. The employer matches total 6,560.783 and dividend reinvestment has accumulated to 560.8 common shares. The employer match vests ratably at 33%, 33% and 34% per year over a 3 year period. Some employer matches are fully vested while some matches will not be fully matched until 12/31/07.
- (2)

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