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1. Name and A RAMAKRIS CHANDRA	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP [CTSH]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Mo				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2012					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Group Chief Exec-Tech & Ops			
(Street) 4. If Ameri Filed(Mont						e Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
TEANECK, NJ 07666									Person			
(City)	(State) (2	Zip)	Table	I - Non-	De	erivative S	ecuri	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date any (Month/Day		on Date, if	3. 4. Securiti TransactionAcquired Code Disposed (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4		(A) or of (D) 4 and 5) (A) or		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)		
Class A Common Stock	02/28/2012			M	V	Amount 1,683 (1)	(D)	Price	79,766	D		
Class A Common Stock	02/28/2012			F		521 (2)	D	\$ 72	79,245	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 on 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 A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (3)	02/28/2012		M	1,	,683	02/28/2012(4)	02/28/2012(4)	Class A Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units (6) (7)	<u>(6) (7)</u>	02/28/2012		A	54,130		(6)(7)	(6)(7)	Class A Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RAMAKRISHNAN CHANDRASEKARAN C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP 500 FRANK W. BURR BLVD TEANECK, NJ 07666

Group Chief Exec-Tech & Ops

Signatures

/s/ Steven Schwartz on behalf of Chandrasekaran Ramakrishnan, by Power of Attorney

03/01/2012

**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 of the Company's Class A Common Stock received from the vesting of 1/12 of the restricted stock unit award granted on November 28, 2011.
- (2) Represents the portion of shares of Class A Common Stock that the Company determined to settle in cash to pay applicable tax withholding.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's Class A Common Stock.
 - The restricted stock units were granted on November 28, 2011 under the Cognizant Technology Solutions 2009 Incentive Compensation
- (4) Plan and vest in quarterly installments over three years, with 1/12th of the stock units vesting on each quarterly vesting date so that the stock units will be fully vested on the twelfth quarterly vesting date. The stock units will be fully vested on November 28, 2014.

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- (5) Excludes previously granted restricted stock units for an aggregate of 43,467 shares of Class A Common Stock, which have different vesting schedules.
 - Represents the total number of performance-based restricted stock units which vested based upon attainment by the Company of certain performance milestones, as determined by the Company's compensation committee on February 28, 2012 based upon the audited financials for the 2011 fiscal year. The performance-based restricted stock units were granted on November 30, 2010 under the Cognizant
- (6) Technology Solutions 2009 Incentive Compensation Plan. In accordance with the performance-based restricted stock unit award, 1/3 of the vested performance-based restricted stock units shall be issued on the eighteen-month anniversary of the date of grant of such performance-based restricted stock units, provided the reporting person remains in the Company's service through such anniversary date. (Continued in the next footnote.)
 - (Continued from the previous footnote.) The remaining 2/3 of the vested performance-based restricted stock units shall be issued on the thirty-six month anniversary of the date of grant of such performance-based restricted stock units, provided that the grantee remains in the Company's service through such anniversary date. Each performance-based restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive
- (7) Company's service through such anniversary date. Each performance-based restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's Class A Common Stock. The reporting person will disclose the receipt of shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock underlying the performance-based restricted stock units on Table I of Form 4, if and when such reporting person satisfies the aformentioned service-based conditions.
- (8) Excludes previously granted restricted stock units for an aggregate of 61,984 shares of Class A Common Stock, which have different vesting schedules.

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