#### CARLSON LEROY T JR

Form 4

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

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations may continue.

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Shares

12/11/2006

(Print or Type Responses)

CARLSON LEROY T JR Sy		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC /DE/ [TDS]					C	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 30 N. LASA	(First) (	Middle)			Earliest Transaction ay/Year)				_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amer			e Original			6. Individual or	Joint/Group Filin	ng(Check
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Nor	ı-De	erivative S	ecuri	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securi nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D	<b>)</b> )	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)
Special Common Shares	12/11/2006			G	V	5,010	D	(1)	9,051.0024	D	
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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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 49.8	12/13/2006		A	213,333	12/15/2006	12/13/2016	Special Common Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	12/13/2006		A	20,424	12/15/2008	(2)	Special Common Shares
Deferred Compensation	\$ 49.8	12/13/2006		A	2,761.04	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Special common shares

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
<b>F</b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CARLSON LEROY T JR 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000 CHICAGO, IL 60602	X		President and CEO				

### **Signatures**

Julie D. Mathews, by power of atty

\*\*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) Gift
- (2) Restricted stock unit award pursuant to the 2004 Long-term Incentive Plan. Stock units will become vested on December 15, 2008.
- (3) Granted under the 2004 long term incentive plan.

Reporting person deferred 2005 bonus pursuant to the 1998 long term incentive plan receiving 2,208.835 in bonus units and 552.208 in company match units.. Previously, the reporting person has deferred 1998, 2000, and 2002 bonuses. Employer matches vest ratably each year at 33%, 33% and 34%. The previously deferred bonuses and employer match totalled 12,159. Some employer matches are fully vested while recent match will not be fully matched until 12/31/08.

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