TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC /DE/

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	Address of Reporting	Sy	Issuer Name and Tombol ELEPHONE &			Issuer	ationship of Re	eporting Perso	n(s) to	
			NC /DE/ [TDS]		J I L	115	(Check a	ll applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(M	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2005				Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP-Corp. Development			
30 N. LAS	SALLE ST., STE.	4000					VI -Corp.	Development	L	
	(Street)		If Amendment, Da led(Month/Day/Year	_		6. Ind	ividual or Joint		rting	
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CHICAGO	O, IL 60602						orm Filed by Onorm Filed by Mor			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-D	Perivative Sec	urities	s Acquired,	Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date any	3. e, if Transaction Code (ear) (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 a	f (D)	nired (A) or	end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and			
Special				Amount	(D)	Price	4)			
Common Common	05/13/2005	Â	<u>J(7)</u>	397	A	\$ <u>(7)</u>	398	D	Â	
Special Common Shares	12/31/2005	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	0.6	A	\$ <u>(1)</u>	398	D	Â	
Special Common	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)</u>	24,476.4	A	\$ (7)	24,525.4	I	By Voting Trust	

Shares									
Special Common Shares	12/31/2005	Â	J <u>(1)</u>	49	A	\$ <u>(1)</u>	24,525.4	I	By Voting Trust
Common Shares	03/31/2005	Â	J <u>(3)</u>	40.2488	A	\$ 69.36	516.6	D	Â
Common Shares	06/30/2005	Â	<u>J(3)</u>	37.477	A	\$ 34.6885	516.6	D	Â
Common Shares	09/30/2005	Â	<u>J(3)</u>	39.2163	A	\$ 33.15	516.6	D	Â
Common Shares	12/31/2005	Â	U <u>(3)</u>	42.4489	A	\$ 30.6255	516.6	D	Â
Common Shares	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	15	I	Custodian for children
Special Common Shares	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)</u>	15	A	\$ <u>(7)</u>	15	I	Custodian for children
Common Shares	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	25.1	I	By Trust
Special Common Shares	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)</u>	25.1	A	\$ <u>(7)</u>	25.1	I	By Trust
Common Shares	12/31/2005(4)	Â	<u>J(4)</u>	1.31	D	\$ (4)	467.69	I	By 401K plan
Special Common Shares (7)	12/31/2005(4)	Â	J(4)(7)	469.6	A	\$ <u>(4)</u>	469.6	Ι	By 401K plan
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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 A Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4
					(4)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
	\$ 69.36	03/31/2005	Â	J <u>(3)</u>	(A) Â	(D) 40.2488	03/31/2005	03/31/2005	

Option (Right to buy)									Common Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 34.6885	06/30/2005	Â	J <u>(3)</u>	Â	37.477	06/30/2005	06/30/2005	Common Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 33.15	09/30/2005	Â	J <u>(3)</u>	Â	39.2163	09/30/2005	09/30/2005	Common Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 30.6255	12/31/2005	Â	J <u>(3)</u>	Â	42.4489	12/31/2005	12/31/2005	Common Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 58.96	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)(8)</u>	4,400	Â	12/15/1999	04/30/2009	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 102.79	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)(8)</u>	4,000	Â	12/15/2000	04/28/2010	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 117.51	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)(8)</u>	7,160	Â	(2)	09/16/2010	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 99.44	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)(8)</u>	3,410	Â	12/15/2001	04/30/2011	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 59	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)(8)</u>	4,115	Â	12/15/2002	07/05/2012	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 66	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)(8)</u>	3,950	Â	12/15/2004	05/08/2014	Tandem Common and Special

									Common Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 77.36	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)(8)</u>	4,476	Â	12/15/2005	04/20/2015	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares
Restricted Stock Units	Â	05/13/2005	Â	J <u>(7)(10)</u>	992	Â	12/15/2007	(9)	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares
Series A Common Shares	Â	12/31/2005	Â	J <u>(1)</u>	60.8	Â	(5)	(5)	Common or Special Common Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WERTZ BYRON A 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000 CHICAGO, IL 60602	Â	Â	VP-Corp. Development	Â			

Signatures

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

**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) Voluntary reporting of shares acquired through dividend reinvestment in 2005.
- Granted under the TDS 1998 Long Term incentive plan. The option was exercisable with respect to 1790 common shares on 12/15/01, 12/15/02, 12/15/03 and on 12/15/04 for a total of 7160.
- (3) Disposition of option and acquisition of shares under the TDS Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (4) Voluntary reporting of shares acquired in 2005 in the TDS 401K. The information is based on a plan statement dated 12/31/05. The number of shares fluctuates and is attributable to the price of the shares on 12/31/05.
- (5) Series A Common shares are convertible, on a share-for-share basis, into common or special common.
- Of these shares, 18,132.886 (of which 701.886 were earned pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan) are held as custodian for children. Of the remaining shares held in a personal trust (348.117 were earned pursuant to a dividend reinvestment plan).
- (7) On May 13 TDS authorized a special common dividend to holders of common shares in which one special common share was distributed for each common share. The stock dividend was distributed to all shareholders making this acquisition exempt from Section

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16 pursuant to Rule 16a-9(a).

- (8) Common shares were granted without consideration under the long term incentive plan. As a result of the special common stock dividend, all options to purchase common shares as of May 13 under the long term incentive plan, whether vested or unvested, were adjusted into tandem options. The tandem option provides that upon exercise, the optionee purchases the number of common shares originally subject to the option plus an equal number of special common.
- (9) Restricted stock unit award pursuant to the 2004 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Stock units will become vested on December 15, 2007.
- Restricted stock units for common shares were granted without consideration under the long term incentive plan. As a result of the special common stock dividend, all restricted stock unit awards as of May 13 that are to be settled in common shares, whether vested or unvested, were adjusted to provide that such award will be settled in the number of common shares originally subject to the award plus an equal number of special common shares.

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