

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

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**HERBERT C THEODORE**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000  
 (Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60451

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC /DE/ [TDS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/17/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP Human Resources

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Shares	06/17/2008		M		5,190 A <u>(1)</u> 23,381	D	
Special Common Shares	06/17/2008		M		5,190 A <u>(1)</u> 32,314	D	
Special Common Shares	06/17/2008		F		5,190 D <u>(2)</u> 27,124	D	
Common Shares	06/17/2008		F		979 D <u>(2)</u> 22,402	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 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 39.75	06/17/2008		M	5,190	12/15/1998 06/22/2008	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares	5,190

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HERBERT C THEODORE 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000 CHICAGO, IL 60451			VP Human Resources	

## Signatures

Julie D. Mathews, by power of atty 06/18/2008

\*\*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).

As a result of the special common dividend on 5/13/05, all options to purchase common shares were adjusted into tandem options. The (1) 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 shares.

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(2) Withholding of shares to pay exercise price and taxes.

(3) Granted under the long term incentive plan.

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