NARAYANAN LAKSHMI

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NARAYANAN LAKSHMI

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP [CTSH]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY

02/21/2006

(Month/Day/Year)

below) President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

SOLUTIONS CORP., 500 GLENPOINTE CENTRE WEST

(Street)

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

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

TEANECK, NJ 07666

Person

	(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative :	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
į	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit r(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	d of (D)	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	02/21/2006		M	2,500	A	\$ 0.32	0	D	
(Class A Common Stock	02/21/2006		S	2,500	D	\$ 55.75	0	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transacti 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)	
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class A Common Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 0.32	02/21/2006		M	2,:	,500	07/25/1998	07/25/2007	Class A Common Stock	2,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
NARAYANAN LAKSHMI C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP. 500 GLENPOINTE CENTRE WEST TEANECK, NJ 07666	X		President and CEO			

Signatures

/s/ Steven Schwartz on behalf of Lakshmi Narayanan, by Power of Attorney 02/22/2006

**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) Such options were granted on July 25, 1997 pursuant to the Amended and Restated Cognizant Technology Solutions Key Employees Stock Option Plan. Such options were fully vested on July 25, 2001.
- (2) Includes multiple option grants with different exercise prices and vesting dates.

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