IRELAND FRIEDA E

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4

Transactions Reported

(City)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * IRELAND FRIEDA E	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC /DE/ [TDS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2005	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP - Internal Audit		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)		
CHICAGO, IL 60602				

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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) (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				or Amount (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		

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

(State)

(Zip)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securitie
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)		

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	Derivative Security				or Dispo of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)					
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 52.4	05/13/2005	Â	J(1)(2)	8,000	Â	12/15/2003	07/01/2013	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares (2)	8,000
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 66	05/13/2005	Â	J(1)(2)	4,710	Â	12/15/2004	05/08/2014	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares (2)	4,71
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 77.36	05/13/2005	Â	J(1)(2)	4,518	Â	12/15/2005	04/20/2015	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares (2)	4,51
Restricted Stock Units	Â	05/13/2005	Â	J(1)(3)	742	Â	12/15/2007	(4)	Tandem Common and Special Common Shares (3)	742

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
IRELAND FRIEDA E 30 N. LASALLE ST., STE. 4000 CHICAGO, IL 60602	Â	Â	VP - Internal Audit	Â		
Signatures						
Juliie D. Mathews, by power of atty	01/18/2006					
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date				

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- * 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) On May 13 TDS authorized a special common dividend to holders of common shares in which one special common share was distributed to all shareholders making this acquisition exempt from Section 16a-9(a).
- 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 common shares originally subject to the option plus an equal number of special common.
- 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 units as of May 13 that are be settled in common shares, whether vested or unvested, were adjusted to provide shat such award will be settled in the number of common shares originally subject to the award plus an equal number of special common shares.
- (4) Restricted stock unit award pursuant to the 2004 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Stock units will become vested on December 15, 2007.

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