

MEYERS KENNETH R  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
MEYERS KENNETH R

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)  
TDS, 30 N. LASALLE ST. STE. 4000  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/05/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President & CFO

CHICAGO, IL 60602

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Security |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|---|
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| Security (Instr. 3)   | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |                 |                       |           |                  |
|-----------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------------|
|                       |  |                      | Code V          | (A)   | (D)              | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title                 | Amount    | Number of Shares |
| Deferred Compensation | <u>(1)</u>                               | 03/05/2009           | A               | 4,415.148   |                  | <u>(1)</u>       | <u>(1)</u>      | Special Common Shares | 4,415.148 |                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                |  |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|--|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        |  | Other |
| MEYERS KENNETH R<br>TDS<br>30 N. LASALLE ST. STE. 4000<br>CHICAGO, IL 60602 | X             |           | Executive Vice President & CFO |  |       |

## Signatures

Julie D. Mathews, by power of atty  
03/06/2009  
\*\*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).
- Reporting person deferred 2008 performance bonus pursuant to the 1998 Long Term Incentive Plan - bonus deferral totalled 3532.119 (1) units and company match totalled 883.029 units. The employer match vests ratably 33%, 33% and 34% per year over a 3 year period (12/31/09 - 12/31/11) consequently the company match is not vested. Special common units vested at 12/31/08 were 2529.561.

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