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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A OLeary Chri	Symbol TELEPI	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) 30 N. LASA	(First) (Mic	(Month/D	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2009				_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CHICAGO,	Filed(Mon	Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State) (Z	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. SecurionAcquirect Disposect (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l 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)
Special Common Shares	02/27/2009		A	1,636	A	<u>(1)</u>	3,104	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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting Owner Funite / Mutress	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
OLeary Christopher D 30 N. LASALLE ST. STE. 4000 CHICAGO, IL 60602	X						

Signatures

Julie D. Mathews, by power of atty 03/02/2009

**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) Shares acquired pursuant to a compensation plan for non-employee directors.

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