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Person * Mehta Ra		eporting	Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2006	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP [CTSH]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	08/01/2000	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP., 500 GLENPOINTE CENTRE WEST (Street) TEANECK, NJ 07666				Directo _X Officer (give title belo	(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) COO, Global Client Services		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Deriva	tive Securiti	ies Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	*	
Class A Cor	mmon Stoc	ck	5,648		D	Â		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security
2. Date Exercisable and (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

Securities Underlying Derivative Security

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		Expiration Date	(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable		Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Class A Common Stock (Right to Buy) (1)	11/02/2002	11/02/2011	Class A Common Stock	9,000	\$ 4.683	D	Â
Class A Common Stock (Right to Buy) (2)	02/05/2004	02/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	24,000	\$ 10.115	D	Â
Class A Common Stock (Right to Buy) (3)	03/05/2004	03/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	4,500	\$ 11.628	D	Â
Class A Common Stock (Right to Buy) (4)	03/04/2005	03/04/2014	Class A Common Stock	100,000	\$ 22.885	D	Â
Class A Common Stock (Right to Buy) (5)	05/17/2006	05/17/2015	Class A Common Stock	15,000	\$ 43.49	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Mehta Rajeev C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP. 500 GLENPOINTE CENTRE WEST TEANECK, NJ 07666	Â	Â	COO, Global Client Services	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Steven Schwartz on behalf of Rajeev Mehta, by Power of
Attorney

08/03/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 November 2, 2001 pursuant to the Company's 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended. Such options were 100% vested on November 2, 2005. The Date Exercisable above reflects the first anniversary date of such option.
- Such options were granted on February 5, 2003 pursuant to the Company's 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended. Such options (2) have the following vesting schedule: 12,000 shares vested on February 5, 2006 and 12,000 shares vest on February 5, 2007. The Date Exercisable above reflects the first anniversary date of such option.
- (3) Such options were granted on March 5, 2003 pursuant to the Company's 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended. Such options have the following vesting schedule: 1,500 shares vested on March 5, 2005, 1,500 shares vested on March 5, 2006 and 1,500 shares vest

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on March 5, 2007. The Date Exercisable above reflects the first anniversary date of such option.

- Such options were granted on March 4, 2004 pursuant to the Company's 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended. Such options
 (4) have the following vesting schedule: 25% on March 4, 2005; 25% on March 4, 2006; 25% on March 4, 2007; and 25% on March 4, 2008.

 The Date Exercisable above reflects the first anniversary date of such option.
- Such options were granted on May 17, 2005 pursuant to the Company's 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended. Such options (5) have the following vesting schedule: 25% on May 17, 2006; 25% on May 17, 2007; 25% on May 17, 2008; and 25% on May 17, 2009. The Date Exercisable above reflects the first anniversary date of such option.

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