

COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP

Form 4

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

RAMAKRISHNAN
CHANDRASEKARAN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY
SOLUTIONS CORP, 500 FRANK
W. BURR BLVD

(Street)

TEANECK, NJ 07666

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol
COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY
SOLUTIONS CORP [CTSH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

12/09/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 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)
			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)

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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. Transaction 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
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	12/09/2008		A		60,000		(2)	(2)	Class A Common Stock	60,000
Class A Common Stock Option (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 18.21	12/09/2008		A		88,000		12/09/2009	12/09/2018	Class A Common Stock	88,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
RAMAKRISHNAN CHANDRASEKARAN C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP 500 FRANK W. BURR BLVD TEANECK, NJ 07666	Pres. & MD, Global Delivery

Signatures

/s/ Steven E. Schwartz on behalf of Chandrasekaran Ramakrishnan, by Power of Attorney 12/10/2008

__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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's Class A common stock.
The restricted stock units were granted under the Company's Amended and Restated 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended, and vest in quarterly installments over three years, with 1/12th of the stock units vesting on each quarterly vesting date so that the stock units will be fully vested on the twelfth quarterly vesting date. The stock units will be fully vested on December 9, 2011.
- (2) This number reflects the number of stock units beneficially owned following the reported transaction and includes multiple stock unit grants with different vesting dates.
- (3) Such options were granted on December 9, 2008 pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended. Such options vest in four equal annual installments, with 25% of the options vesting on the one year

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anniversary of the grant date, 25% of the options vesting on the two year anniversary of the grant date, 25% of the options vesting on the three year anniversary of the grant date and 25% of the options vesting on the four year anniversary of the grant date, so that the options will be fully vested on the four year anniversary of the grant date. The options will be fully vested on December 9, 2012. The Date Exercisable above reflects the first anniversary date of such options.

- (5) This number reflects the number of stock options beneficially owned following the reported transaction and includes multiple option grants with different exercise prices and vesting dates.

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