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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Novas Paul D	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TENNECO INC [TEN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP and Controller			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE	(Month/Day/Year) 06/02/2011				
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuritio	es Aco	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		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)	
Common Stock					` ,		104,900	D	
Common Stock							8,158 (1)	D	
Common Stock							3,667 <u>(2)</u>	I	By 401(K)

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 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Equivalent Units	\$ 0 (3)	06/02/2011		A	11,489	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	11,489	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Novas Paul D

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE VP and Controller

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

Signatures

/s/James D. Harrington, Attorney-in-fact for Paul D.
Novas

06/06/2011

**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) Reflects restricted stock granted pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Reflects shares allocated to, and indirectly held by, the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 401(k) Plan.
- (**3**) 1-for-1
- (4) Previously deferred compensation invested by the Reporting Person in Stock Equivalent Units under the Company's Incentive Deferral Plan. The deferred amount will be settled, at the Company's option, in cash or stock in July 2012.
- (5) The remaining deferred amount of 91,914 Stock Equivalent Units will be settled, at the Company's option, in cash or stock in January 2023.

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