TENNECO INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PRICE DAVID B JR

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

TENNECO INC [TEN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE

(Month/Day/Year)

X__ Director Officer (give title

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

12/10/2012

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	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)
Common Stock	12/10/2012		M(1)	5,000	A	\$ 3.77	61,086	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2012		M(1)	5,000	A	\$ 8.68	66,086	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2012		S(1)	10,000	D	\$ 32.78 (2)	56,086	D	

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number omf 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
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.77	12/10/2012		M <u>(1)</u>		5,000	(3)	01/20/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.68	12/10/2012		M <u>(1)</u>		5,000	<u>(4)</u>	01/19/2014	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PRICE DAVID B JR 500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE LAKE FOREST, IL 60045	X						

Signatures

/s/ James Harrington, Attorney-in-fact for David B.
Price, Jr.

12/12/2012

**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 cashless exercise of stock options which were granted pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (2) The common stock reported herein as being sold were sold at a range of between \$32.68 and \$32.82 per share. The sale price reported above represents the weighted average sale price for the reported tranaction and has been rounded to the nearest cent.

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- (3) All stock options were exercisable on 7/21/2003.
- (4) All stock options were exercisable on 7/20/2004.
- (5) Reflects stock options granted pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

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