

COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NARAYANAN LAKSHMI

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY
SOLUTIONS CORP [CTSH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY
SOLUTIONS CORP., 500
GLENPOINTE CENTRE WEST

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/07/2006

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
President and CEO

(Street)
TEANECK, NJ 07666

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
			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 Number Shares
Class A Common Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 67.41	08/07/2006		A		150,000		08/07/2007	08/07/2016	Class A Common Stock	150,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
NARAYANAN LAKSHMI C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP. 500 GLENPOINTE CENTRE WEST TEANECK, NJ 07666	X President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Steven Schwartz, on behalf of Lakshmi Narayanan, by power of attorney

08/08/2006

____Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Such options were granted on August 7, 2006 pursuant to the Company's 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended. Such options

(1) vest as follows: 25% on August 7, 2007; 25% on August 7, 2008; 25% on August 7, 2009 and 25% on August 7, 2010. The options will be fully vested on August 7, 2010.

(2) Includes multiple option grants with different exercise prices and vesting dates.

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