McLoughlin Karen Form 4 March 01, 2012

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * McLoughlin Karen

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP [CTSH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

Chief Financial Officer

(First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2012

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP., 500 FRANK W. BURR BLVD.

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

TEANECK, NJ 07666

1.Title of

(City)

(State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and A	Amount of	8. Pr
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if		onof Derivative			Underlying Securities		Deri
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day	(Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Secu
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired					(Inst
	Derivative				(A) or					
	Security				Disposed of					
					(D)					
					(Instr. 3, 4,					
					and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date	Expiration	Title	Amount	
						Exercisable	Date		or	
									Number	
									of	
									Shares	
Restricted								Class A		
Stock	(1) (2)	02/28/2012		A	4,700	(1)(2)	(1)(2)	Common	4,700	\$0
Units (1) (2)					,			Stock	, ,	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
comporting of the control of the con	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
McLoughlin Karen COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP. 500 FRANK W. BURR BLVD. TEANECK, NJ 07666			Chief Financial Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Steven Schwartz on behalf of Karen McLoughlin, by Power of Attorney 03/01/2012

**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).

Represents the total number of performance-based restricted stock units which vested based upon attainment by the Company of certain performance milestones, as determined by the Company's compensation committee on February 28, 2012 based upon the audited financials for the 2011 fiscal year. The performance-based restricted stock units were granted on March 21, 2011 under the Cognizant

- (1) Inancials for the 2011 fiscal year. The performance-based restricted stock units were granted on March 21, 2011 under the Cognizant Technology Solutions 2009 Incentive Compensation Plan. In accordance with the performance-based restricted stock unit award, 50% of the vested performance-based restricted stock units shall be issued on June 1, 2012, provided the reporting person remains in the Company's service through such anniversary date. (Continued in the next footnote.)
- December 2, 2013, provided that the grantee remains in the Company's service through such anniversary date. Each performance-based (2) restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's Class A Common Stock. The reporting person will disclose the receipt of shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock underlying the performance-based restricted stock units on Table I of Form 4, if and when such reporting person satisfies the aformentioned service-based conditions.

(Continued from the previous footnote.) The remaining 50% of the vested performance-based restricted stock units shall be issued on

(3) Excludes previously granted restricted stock units for an aggregate of 12,876 shares of Class A Common Stock, which have different vesting schedules.

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