NARAYANAN LAKSHMI

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP [CTSH]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
	NIZANT TECHN NS CORP., 500 I		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2012					_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice Chairman				
									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
TEANECK	Thea(Month Day/Tear)				-	_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securit	ies Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (E))	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)		
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2012			M	100,000	A	\$ 5.06	100,000	D			
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2012			S	100,000	D	\$ 76.12	0	D			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDeri Secu Acqı Disp	umber of vative urities uired (A) or losed of (D) r. 3, 4, and	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)	\$ 5.06	03/15/2012		M		100,000	02/05/2004	02/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	100,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
NARAYANAN LAKSHMI C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP. 500 FRANK W. BURR BLVD TEANECK, NJ 07666	X		Vice Chairman			

Signatures

/s/ Steven Schwartz, on behalf of Lakshmi Narayanan, by power of attorney 03/19/2012

**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) Such options were granted on February 5, 2003 pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan. The options were 100% vested on February 5, 2007. The Date Exercisable above reflects the first anniversary date of such option.
- (2) Excludes previously granted options for an aggregate of 340,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, which have different exercise prices and vesting dates.

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