NARAYANAN LAKSHMI
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NARAYANAN LAKSHMI

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP., 500 FRANK W. BURR BLVD

(Street)

TEANECK, NJ 07666

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/23/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Vice Chairman

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	10/23/2012		M		50,000	A	$ 5.06	50,000	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/23/2012		S		50,000 (1)	D	$ 69.32 (2)	0	D	

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. 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 or Number of Shares
Class A Common Stock Option (Right to Buy) (3)	$ 5.06	10/23/2012		M			50,000	02/05/2004	02/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	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	10/25/2012
**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 shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan.

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from $68.91 to $69.75. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation, any security holder of Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote to this Form 4.

(3) 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.

(4) Excludes previously granted options for an aggregate of 350,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, which have different exercise prices and vesting dates.

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