

Mehta Rajeev
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Mehta Rajeev

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
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/14/2006

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
COO, Global Client Services

TEANECK, NJ 07666
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 or Number of Shares |
| Class A Common Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 80.66 | 12/14/2006 | | A | 60,000 | 12/14/2007 12/14/2016 | Class A Common Stock | 60,000 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Mehta Rajeev C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP. 500 GLENPOINTE CENTRE WEST TEANECK, NJ 07666 | | | COO, Global Client Services | |

Signatures

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| /s/ Steven Schwartz, on behalf of Rajeev Mehta, by power of attorney | 12/15/2006 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Such options were granted on December 14, 2006 pursuant to the Company's 1999 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended. Such
- (1) options vest as follows: 25% on December 14, 2007; 25% on December 14, 2008; 25% on December 14, 2009; and 25% on December 14, 2010. The options will be fully vested on December 14, 2010.
 - (2) Includes multiple option grants with different exercise prices and vesting dates.

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