

COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP
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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 *
 Middleton Sean

(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)
 12/03/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Pres - Cognizant Accelerator

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Class A Common Stock	12/03/2016		M	643 ⁽¹⁾	A \$ 0	6,685	D
Class A Common Stock	12/03/2016		F	221 ⁽²⁾	D \$ 54.02	6,464	D
Class A Common Stock	12/03/2016		M	454 ⁽³⁾	A \$ 0	6,918	D

Explanation of Responses:

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Represents the number of shares of Class A Common Stock received from the vesting of 1/2 of the vested performance-based restricted stock units previously granted to the reporting person under the Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation 2009 Incentive Compensation Plan on December 3, 2013.

(1) Represents the portion of shares of Class A Common Stock that the Company determined to settle in cash to pay applicable tax withholding.

Represents the number of shares of Class A Common Stock received from the vesting of 1/2 of the vested performance-based restricted stock units previously granted to the reporting person under the Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation 2009 Incentive Compensation Plan on May 22, 2014.

(2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's Class A Common Stock.

The performance-based restricted stock units were granted on December 3, 2013 under the Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation 2009 Incentive Compensation Plan. In accordance with the performance-based restricted stock unit award, 1/2 of the vested performance-based restricted stock units were issued on June 3, 2015. The remaining 1/2 of the vested performance-based restricted stock units were issuable on December 3, 2016, provided that the reporting person remained in the Company's service through such anniversary date.

The performance-based restricted stock units were granted on May 22, 2014 under the Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation 2009 Incentive Compensation Plan. In accordance with the performance-based restricted stock unit award, 1/2 of the vested performance-based restricted stock units were issued on June 3, 2015. The remaining 1/2 of the vested performance-based restricted stock units were issuable on December 3, 2016, provided that the reporting person remained in the Company's service through such anniversary date.

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