

Thomas Santosh
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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 *
Thomas Santosh

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/12/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Pres. Global Growth Markets

C/O 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)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TEANECK, NJ 07666

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |

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) | 8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(1)</u> | 12/12/2017 | | A | 26,545 | <u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u> | Class A Common Stock | 26,545 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Thomas Santosh C/O COGNIZANT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS CORP. 500 FRANK W. BURR BLVD. TEANECK, NJ 07666 | | | Pres. Global Growth Markets | |

Signatures

/s/ Harry Demas, on behalf of Santosh Thomas, by Power of Attorney 12/14/2017

__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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's Class A Common Stock.
- (2) The restricted stock units were granted on December 12, 2017 under the Cognizant Technology Solutions Corporation 2017 Incentive Award Plan and vest in quarterly installments over three years, commencing on March 12, 2018, with 1/12th of the stock units vesting on each quarterly vesting date so that the stock units will be fully vested on the twelfth quarterly vesting date. The stock units will be fully vested on December 12, 2020.

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