

JACKSON TIMOTHY E
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 JACKSON TIMOTHY E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 TENNECO INC [TEN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/13/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Sr VP & Ch. Technology Officer

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

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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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/13/2012		M ⁽¹⁾		15,000	A	\$ 3.77
Common Stock	03/13/2012		M ⁽¹⁾		2,500	A	\$ 21.19
Common Stock	03/13/2012		S ⁽¹⁾		17,500	D	\$ 38.78
Common Stock							(2)
Common Stock							8,231 (3)
Common Stock							4,326 (4)
						I	By 401(K)

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.77	03/13/2012		M	15,000	⁽⁵⁾ 01/20/2013	Common Stock	15,000
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.19	03/13/2012		M	2,500	⁽⁶⁾ 01/15/2013	Common Stock	2,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JACKSON TIMOTHY E 500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE LAKE FOREST, IL 60045			Sr VP & Ch. Technology Officer	

Signatures

/s/James D. Harrington, Attorney-in-fact for Timothy E. Jackson 03/15/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Reflects cashless exercise of stock options which were granted pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (2) The Common Stock reported herein as being sold were sold at a range of between \$38.70 and \$38.82 per share. The sale price reported above represents the weighted average sale price for the reported transaction and has been rounded to the nearest cent.
- (3) Reflects restricted stock granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (4) Reflects shares allocated to, and indirectly held by, the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 401(k) Plan.
- (5) The options vested in three equal installments on January 21, 2004, January 21, 2005 and January 21, 2006.
- (6) The options vested in three equal installments on January 16, 2007, January 16, 2008 and January 16, 2009.
- (7) Reflects stock options granted pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

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