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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Takeuchi Mitsunobu

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

TENNECO INC [TEN]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE

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

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

01/01/2007

(Middle)

(Zip)

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

 $3,500^{(1)}$ D

Common Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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. P. Deri Secu (Ins
				Code V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Equivalent Units	\$ 0 (2)	01/01/2007		A	1,221	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,221	\$ 2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Takeuchi Mitsunobu
500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE X
LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

Signatures

/s/ Timothy R. Donovan, Attorney-in-fact for Mitsunobu Takeuchi

01/03/2007

**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) Reflects restricted stock, vesting on the first anniversary of the grant date, granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to Section 16b-3.
- (2) 1-for-1
- (3) Stock equivalent units awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3 in payment of Board of Directors' fees, and are to be settled in cash or stock upon or following termination of service as a directors.

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