

TENNECO INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Novas Paul D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE

(Street)

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/16/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

VP and Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/16/2007		J <sup>(1)</sup>	1,666 A \$ 0	3,846	D	
Common Stock	01/16/2007		F <sup>(2)</sup>	595 D \$ 26.7	3,251	D	
Common Stock	01/16/2007		J <sup>(1)</sup>	1,666 D \$ 0	10,167 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	01/16/2007		A <sup>(3)</sup>	3,600 A \$ 26.7	13,767 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					3,917 <sup>(4)</sup>	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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.7	01/16/2007		A <sup>(5)</sup>	7,200	<sup>(5)</sup> 01/16/2014	Common Stock	7,200

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Novas Paul D 500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE LAKE FOREST, IL 60045			VP and Controller	

## Signatures

/s/Timothy R. Donovan, Attorney-in-fact for Paul D.  
Novas

01/17/2007

\*\*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 vesting of restricted stock, which is now being reported as non-restricted stock
- (2) Reflects disposition of shares to the Issuer in form of share withholding to satisfy tax obligation in connection with the vesting of restricted stock.
- (3) Reflects stock options granted pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

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- (4) Reflects shares allocated to, and indirectly held by, Reporting Person under the Issuer's 401(k) Plan (the "Plan Shares").
- (5) The Stock Options were granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to Rule 16b-3. Options vest as follows: 1/3 on the first anniversary date of the award, 1/3 on the second anniversary date of the award and 1/3 on the third anniversary date of the award.

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