

TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC /DE/  
Form DEFA14A  
April 12, 2017

UNITED  
STATES  
SECURITIES  
AND  
EXCHANGE  
COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C.  
20549

SCHEDULE 14A

Proxy Statement  
Pursuant to  
Section 14(a) of  
the Securities  
Exchange Act of  
1934

Filed by the  
Registrant

Filed by a Party  
other than the  
Registrant

Check the  
appropriate box:

Preliminary  
 Proxy  
Statement

Confidential,  
for Use of the  
Commission  
 Only (as  
permitted by  
Rule  
14a-6(e)(2))

Definitive  
 Proxy  
Statement

Definitive  
Additional  
Materials

Soliciting  
 Material under  
§240.14a-12

Telephone and  
Data Systems, Inc.  
(Name of  
Registrant as  
Specified In Its  
Charter)

(Name of  
Person(s) Filing  
Proxy Statement,  
if other than the  
Registrant)

Payment of Filing  
Fee (Check the  
appropriate box):

No fee  
required.

Fee computed  
on table below  
per Exchange  
Act Rules  
14a-6(i)(1) and  
0-11.

Title of each  
class of  
securities to  
1. which  
transaction  
applies:

Aggregate  
number of  
securities to  
2. which  
transaction  
applies:

3. Per unit price  
or other

underlying  
value of  
transaction  
computed  
pursuant to  
Exchange  
Act Rule  
0-11 (set  
forth the  
amount on  
which the  
filing fee is  
calculated  
and state  
how it was  
determined):

Proposed  
maximum  
4. aggregate  
value of  
transaction:

5. Total fee  
paid:

Fee paid  
 previously with  
preliminary  
materials.

Check box if  
any part of the  
fee is offset as  
provided by  
Exchange Act  
Rule 0-11(a)(2)  
and identify the  
filing for which  
the offsetting  
fee was paid  
previously.  
Identify the  
previous filing  
by registration  
statement  
number, or the  
Form or  
Schedule and  
the date of its

filing.

Amount

1. Previously  
Paid:

Form,  
Schedule or

2. Registration  
Statement  
No.:

3. Filing Party:

4. Date Filed:

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This year, as permitted by rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”), Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. (“TDS”) has arranged to provide beneficial owners of shares held in “street name” by brokers, banks, or other nominees (“brokers”) with access to our proxy materials via the Internet, rather than sending them paper copies. Accordingly, pursuant to SEC rules, on or prior to April 14, 2017, Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc., as agent for brokers that hold TDS shares, will mail the accompanying Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials to all street name shareholders as of the record date of March 29, 2017. Such notice and our other proxy materials were posted on the Company’s website at [investors.tdsinc.com/proxyvote](http://investors.tdsinc.com/proxyvote) on April 12, 2017. As explained further in the accompanying Notice, such shareholders have the option of (1) accessing the proxy materials online or (2) requesting that paper copies of those materials be sent to them.

















































































