TENNECO INC Form 4 January 17, 2008

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Sherrill Gregg M

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

TENNECO INC [TEN]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

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

01/15/2008

below) Chairman & CEO

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	recution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficially Owned (D) or Owner Following Indirect (I) (Instr.		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/15/2008		A <u>(1)</u>	65,000	A	\$0	245,000	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008		<u>J(2)</u>	41,667	A	\$0	41,667	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008		F(3)	12,329	D	\$ 23.75	29,338	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008		J(2)	41,667	D	\$ 0	203,333	D	

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 ctionDerivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) a) or (D)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$ 23.75	01/15/2008		A(4)	120,000		<u>(4)</u>	01/15/2015	Common Stock	120,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Frame / Francess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Sherrill Gregg M 500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE LAKE FOREST, IL 60045	X		Chairman & CEO				

Signatures

Buy)

/s/James Harrington, Attorney-in-fact for Gregg
Sherrill
01/17/2008

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 grant of restricted stock to the Reporting Person pursuant to Rule 16b-3, one third of which vest on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.
- (2) Reflects vesting of restricted stock, which is now being reported as non-restricted stock.
- (3) Reflects disposition of shares to the Issuer in form of share withholding to satisfy tax obligation in connection with the vesting of restricted stock.
- (4) Reflects stock options granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to Rule 16b-3, one third of which vest on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.

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Reporting Owners 2

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