**TENNECO INC** Form 4 January 22, 2008

## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Novas Paul D Issuer Symbol TENNECO INC [TEN] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE 01/17/2008 below) VP and Controller (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting LAKE FOREST, IL 60045 Person

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	01/17/2008		J <u>(1)</u>	1,667	A	\$0	30,570	D			
Common Stock	01/17/2008		F(2)	492	D	\$ 22.18	30,078	D			
Common Stock	01/17/2008		<u>J(1)</u>	1,667	D	\$ 0	7,299 (3)	D			
Common Stock	01/18/2008		M	10,000	A	\$ 1.57	40,078	D			
Common Stock							3,879 (4)	I	By 401(K)		

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.57	01/18/2008		M	10,000	<u>(5)</u>	12/05/2011	Common Stock	10,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Novas Paul D

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE VP and Controller

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

## **Signatures**

/s/James Harrington, Attorney-in-fact for Paul D.
Novas
01/22/2008

\*\*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 restricted stock granted pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (4) Reflects shares allocated to, and indirectly held by, the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 401(k) Plan.

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(5) These Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) have vested.

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