

TELEPHONE & DATA SYSTEMS INC /DE/
Form 8-K
September 23, 2005

FORM 8-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 19, 2005

TELEPHONE AND DATA SYSTEMS, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation)

001-14157
(Commission
File Number)

36-2669023
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 4000, Chicago, Illinois
(Address of principal executive offices)

60602
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (312) 630-1900

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.05. Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities.

On September 19, 2005, United States Cellular Corporation ("U.S. Cellular"), a subsidiary of Telephone and Data Systems, Inc. ("TDS"), determined, as a result of the recently announced exchange of cellular properties with ALLTEL Communications, Inc., to restructure its Customer Service department. As part of the realignment, U.S. Cellular will close its Customer Care Center in Medford, Oregon. The closure is expected to affect approximately 170 workers. As a result of the closure, U.S. Cellular will incur certain costs, primarily for employee severance, benefits continuation and relocation; asset impairment; and lease obligations. Although the total and timing of such costs is uncertain at this time, U.S. Cellular expects the impact of such costs on pretax income to be approximately \$2 million to \$4 million, a portion of which will be incurred in the third quarter of 2005. Approximately \$2.5 million to \$3.5 million of such costs are expected to result in future cash expenditures.

Item 2.06. Material Impairments.

The information reported in Item 2.05 "Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities" is hereby incorporated by reference

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Telephone and Data Systems, Inc.
(Registrant)

Date: September 22, 2005

By: /s/ D. Michael Jack

D. Michael Jack
Senior Vice President and Corporate Controller
(Principal Accounting Officer)

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