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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Schneider Richard P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TENNECO INC [TEN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	()			
500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE		Æ	(Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2010	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) S. VP - Global Admin			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
LAKE FORES	T, IL 60045		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly 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 Transaction(A) or Dispo Code (Instr. 3, 4 ar (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/15/2010		J <u>(1)</u>	4,567	A	\$0	70,356	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2010		F(2)	1,632	D	\$ 19.48	68,724	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2010		<u>J(1)</u>	4,567	D	\$0	13,196 <u>(3)</u>	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2010		A(4)	7,537	A	\$0	20,733 (3)	D	
Common Stock							23,126 (5)	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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day	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 Acquire)	\$ 19.48	01/15/2010		A(6)	11,769	<u>(6)</u>	01/14/2017	Common Stock	11,769	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Schneider Richard P

500 NORTH FIELD DRIVE S. VP - Global Admin

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

Signatures

/s/James D. Harrington, Attorney-in-fact for Richard P.
Schneider
01/20/2010

**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 to the Reporting Person pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (4) Reflects restricted stock 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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- (5) Reflects shares allocated to, and indirectly held by, the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 401(k) Plan.
- (6) 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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