SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 2)

COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS, INC. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock (Title of Class of Securities)

> 203900 10 5 (CUSIP Number)

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement . (A fee is not required only if he filing person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of five percent or less of such class.) (See Rule 13d-7.)

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Page 1 of 3 Pages _____ 13G CUSIP NO.203900 10 5 Page 2 of 3 Pages _____ _____ NAME OF REPORTING PERSON 1 S.S. OR IRS IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON Paul N. Hanson # # # - # # - # # # # _____ 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) ____ N/A (b) ____ _____ 3 SEC USE ONLY _ _____ _____ 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION UNITED STATES _ _____ _____ 5 SOLE VOTING POWER 97,420 NUMBER OF _____ _____ SHARES 6 SHARED VOTING POWER BENEFICIALLY 362,001 OWNED BY _____

	EACH REPORTING PERSON	7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 97,420
	WITH	8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 362,001
	9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT	BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 459,421
10	CHECK BOX IF THE	AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXLCUDES CERTAIN SHARES N/A
11	PERCENT OF CLASS	REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 5.04%
 12	TYPE OF REPORTIN	IG PERSON*

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The undersigned hereby amends Item 4 of his Schedule 13G relating to the common stock of Communications Systems, Inc., so as to read as follows: ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP

The following ownership of Paul N. Hanson as of December 31, 1996 in the common stock of Communications Systems, Inc. was as follows:

(a) Ar	mount Beneficially Owned	459,421			
(b) Pe	ercent of Voting Shares Outstanding	5.04%			
(c) Nu	c) Number of shares as to which person has:				
(i)	Sole power to vote or direct the vote:	97,420			
(ii)	Shared power to vote or direct the vote:	362,001			
(iii)	Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of:	97,420			
(iv)	Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of:	362,001			

The shares listed above include 45,420 shares owned by Mr. Hanson directly, 52,000 shares issuable upon exercise of currently exercisable stock options, 1,411 shares owned by Mr. Hanson's wife, 339,441 shares owned by the Communications Systems, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("CSI ESOP") of which Mr. Hanson is a trustee and 21,149 shares owned by the Hector Communications Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan of which Mr. Hanson is a trustee ("Hector ESOP"). Mr. Hanson disclaims any beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the CSI and Hector ESOP's in excess of the shares allocated to his account, which totaled 8,599 at December 31, 1996.

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 11, 1997

/s/ Paul N. Hanson Paul N. Hanson