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# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Add SZEFTEL	dress of Reporting F IVAN M	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP</u> [ ADS ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title X Other (specify below)				
(Last) 17655 WATE	(First) RVIEW PARKW	(Middle) /AY	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2005	Executive Vice President / President Reta Credit Svcs.				
(Street) DALLAS (City)	TX (State)	75252-8012 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of 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				

#### 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)	Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11511 4)
Common Stock	12/09/2005		<b>F</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		2,326	D	\$37.1	75,032 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

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. Transa Code ( 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ate	7. Title Amour Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A) (D)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. 2,326 shares were withheld by the Company to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock.

2. The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 1,000 shares purchased on the open market; (b) 472 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 6/24/03, which is fully vested; (c) 38,586 shares acquired by the exercising of vested employee stock options; (d) 9,761 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 0 shares are vested; (e) 9,761 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 0 shares are vested; and (f) 15,452 out of an original 17,778 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 3,600 shares are vested. **Remarks:** 

### Leigh Ann K. Epperson,

Attorney in Fact

12/13/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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