FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* QUAELLY PAUL B (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O WELSH, CARSON, ANDERSON AND				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/05/2003										5. Relationship of Reporti (Check all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)			g Persor	10% C	Owner (specify	
STOWE 320 PARK AVENUE, SUITE 2500 (Street) NEW YORK NY 10022 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filin Line) X Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More that Person											e Reporti	Reporting Person				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans. Date (Month/I				Execution Date,		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr						4 and Securities Beneficiall Owned Fol		ties cially Following	Form: D (D) or In	i. Ownership Form: Direct D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Pric	rice Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		ction(s)				
Common Stock				11/05/	5/2003				S		847,505		D	\$2	5.6	12,494,942		I		By Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VII. L.P.
Common Stock 1				11/05/	2003				S		282,501		D	\$2	25.6 3,8		53,049	<u>I</u> (3)		By Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VI, L.P. ⁽²⁾
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1. Title of Conversion Date Cecurity Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any			1. Fransaction Code (Instr. 3)		5. Number (6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye		sable and e	7. T Am Sec Und Der Sec	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst	B. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	n: ct (D) idirect	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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- 1. The Reporting Person is one of several general partners of the sole general partner of Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VII, L.P. Pursuant to Instruction (4)(b)(iv) of Form 4, the Reporting Person has elected to report as indirectly beneficially owned the entire number of securities beneficially owned by such limited partnership. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecuniary interest therein, and/or that are not actually distributed to him.
- 2. The Reporting Person is one of several general partners of the sole general partner of Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VI, L.P. Pursuant to Instruction (4)(b)(iv) of Form 4, the Reporting Person has elected to report as indirectly beneficially owned the entire number of securities beneficially owned by such limited partnership. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecuniary interest therein, and/or that are not actually distributed to him.
- 3. The Reporting Person also directly beneficially owns 22,149 shares and indirectly beneficially owns (i) 17,790,349 shares held by Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VIII, L.P. and (ii) 655,555 shares held by WCAS Capital Partners III, L.P. The Reporting Person is one of several managing members or general partners of the respective sole general partners of such limited partnerships. Pursuant to Instruction (4) (b)(iv) of Form 4, the Reporting Person has elected to report as indirectly beneficially owned the entire number of securities beneficially owned by each such limited partnership. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecuniary interest therein and/or that are not actually distributed to him.

Remarks:

Jonathan M. Rather, Attorney-10/22/2003 in-Fact

** 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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