FORM 4

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Instruction 1(b)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HEFFERNAN EDWARD J</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]								(Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title V Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/13/2003								-	X Officer (give title X Other (specify below) Executive Vice President / Chief Financial Officer						
(Street) DALLAS (City)			75252-801 Zip)	12	4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) 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. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,		Code (Instr. 5)					Securi Benefi	cially I Following	Form:	nership : Direct · Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or))	Price	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)			(111511.4)
Common Stock 1:				11/13	/2003			S ⁽¹⁾		14,000 D		D	\$28	36	36,218(2)		D		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
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Explanation of Responses:

1. The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 3, 2003. The trading plan was established to sell up to 19,978 shares of the Company's common stock. Portions of the shares may be sold on specified dates or any time the stock achieves certain pre-arranged minimum prices and may take place beginning on November 6, 2003 and ending on August 1, 2004, unless sooner terminated. The Reporting Person will have no control over the timing of any sales under the plan and there can be no assurance that the shares covered by the plan actually will be sold. The Reporting Person entered into the plan for personal tax and financial planning purposes and will continue to have a significant ownership interest in the Company.

Remarks:

Jeanette Fitzgerald, Attorney in 11/17/2003

<u>Fact</u>

** 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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^{2.} The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 7,200 out of an original 12,000 shares of restricted stock granted 9/1/00, of which 2,400 shares are vested; (b) 13,800 out of an original 23,000 shares of restricted stock granted 10/9/00, of which 4,600 shares are vested; (c) 5,978 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 6/24/03, of which 0 shares are vested; and (d) 9,240 shares acquired by the exercising of vested employee stock options.