

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b> <u>HEFFERNAN EDWARD J</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700</u>  (Street) <u>PLANO TX 75024</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b> <u>ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ ADS ]</u>	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>President and CEO</u>
	<b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)</b> <u>02/17/2016</u>	
	<b>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</b>	
		<b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	02/17/2016		F <sup>(1)</sup>		2,640	D	\$191.1	243,990	D	
Common Stock	02/18/2016		F <sup>(1)</sup>		3,335	D	\$198.32	240,655 <sup>(2)(3)</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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	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)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units.
- The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 182,099 unrestricted shares; (b) 1,893 unvested units from an award of 5,567 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (c) 10,564 unvested units from an award of 31,068 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (d) 1,276 unvested units from an award of 3,751 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (e) 6,914 unvested units from an award of 20,333 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (f) 2,556 unvested units from an award of 3,814 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15; (g) 10,223 unvested units from an award of 15,257 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15; (h) 5,026 unvested time-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16; and (i) 20,104 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16.
- Based on the Company's EBT performance in 2015, 100% of the original award of 15,257 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15 were earned. The restrictions will lapse with respect to 5,035 units on 2/17/17 and with respect to 5,188 units on 2/20/18, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the remaining vesting dates.

**Remarks:**

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney 02/19/2016  
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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