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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| STATEMENT | OF CHANGES | IN BENEFICIAL | OWNERSHIP |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Pearson Bryan A | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS] | | | | | | | | | neck all ap Dire | ctor er (give title | 10 Oi | to Issue % Owne her (spe low) | ner |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/22/2009 | | | | | | | | | | P & Presid | | - / | |
| (Street) DALLAS (City) | | | 75252-801 Zip) | 12 | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Yea | | | | | | ay/Year) | | 6. Lin | e) X Fori Fori | or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable rm filed by One Reporting Person rm filed by More than One Reporting rson | | | |
| | 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) | | | | Secur Bene | icially d Following | 6. Ownersh Form: Direc (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4) | t of lect Be | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) (D) | or | Price | Trans | action(s) 3 and 4) | | (| 15111 4) |
| Common Stock 12/22 | | | | | /2009 | 2009 | | S | | 4,617 Г | | D | \$64. | 56 16 | 51,548 ⁽¹⁾ | 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 total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 27,000 unrestricted shares; (b) 669 unvested shares from an original award of 1,967 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/07; (c) 51,633 unvested shares from an original award of 77,064 performance-based restricted stock units granted 4/28/08; (d) 42,246 unvested shares from an original award of 63,053 time-based restricted stock units granted 4/28/08; and (e) 40,000 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/23/09.

Remarks:

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, **Attorney** in Fact

12/22/2009

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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