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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 (Last) (First) (Middle) 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY | | | | | 3. C | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2010 | | | | | | | | | | all app Direct Office below | er (give title | | 10% C Other below) | Owner (specify |
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| (Street) DALLAS (City) | | | 75252-80 Zip) | 12 | 4. If | · Ame | nendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicat Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | on |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | | | n/Day/Year) if | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5) | | | rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | 4 and Secu Bene | | cially I Following | 6. Own Form: I (D) or I (I) (Inst | Direct ndirect | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (| A) or D) | Price | Transa | | ction(s) 3 and 4) | | | (11150.4) |
| Common Stock 02 | | | | | 02/22/2010 | | | | A ⁽¹⁾ | | 5,908 | 3 | A (1) | | 111,023 | | I |) | | |
| Common Stock 02/2: | | | | | 02/22/2010 | | | | A ⁽²⁾ | | 23,63 | 632 A | | (2 | (2) 134 | | 134,655(3)(4) | |) | |
| | 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) | vative or Exercise Price of Derivative Security Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Transa Code (| (Instr. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Expiration | | | Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amour or Numbe of | | ount nber | nt er | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ow For Dire or I (I) (| nership | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The new grant is for 5,908 shares of common stock represented by time-based restricted stock units. The restrictions will lapse on 1,949 units on 2/22/11, on 1,950 units on 2/22/12 and on 2,009 units on 2/22/13, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the vesting dates.
- 2. The new grant is for 23,632 shares of common stock represented by performance-based restricted stock units, which may be adjusted up or down at the time the performance restriction lapses. The restriction may lapse with respect to 33% of such shares on each of 2/22/11 and 2/22/12 and with respect to 34% of such shares on 2/22/13 contingent on meeting a cash earnings per share growth hurdle for 2010 and subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the vesting dates.
- 3. The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 60,092 unrestricted shares; (b) 21,439 unvested shares from an original award of 63,053 time-based restricted stock units granted 4/28/08; (c) 23,584 unvested shares from an award of 35,200 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/23/09; (d) the new grant for 5,908 time-based restricted stock units; and (e) the new grant for 23,632 performance-based restricted stock units.
- 4. Based on the Company's cash EPS growth in 2009, 88% of the original award of 40,000 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/23/09, or 35,200 units, were earned. The restrictions will lapse with respect to 11,616 units on 2/23/11 and with respect to 11,968 units on 2/23/12, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the remaining vesting dates.

Remarks:

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, 02/24/2010 **Attorney** 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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