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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Ad Pearson B	ddress of Reporting I <u>ryan A</u>	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP</u> [ ADS ]		ationship of Reporting P k all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)
(Last) (First) (Middle) 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700		( )	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2016		EVP & President,	,
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fil	ing (Check Applicabl
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## 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)						5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/17/2016		F <sup>(1)</sup>		1,295	D	\$191.1	27,084	D	
Common Stock	02/18/2016		<b>F</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		1,731	D	\$198.32	<b>25,353</b> <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								80,841	Ι	By 2456779 Ontario Inc. <sup>(4)</sup>

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units.

2. The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 811 unvested units from an award of 2,384 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (b) 4,525 unvested units from an award of 13,306 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/11/13; (c) 519 unvested units from an award of 1,525 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (d) 2,811 unvested units from an award of 8,267 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (e) 982 unvested units from an award of 1,465 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15; (f) 3,929 unvested units from an award of 5,864 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15; (g) 1,830 unvested time-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16; (h) 7,323 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16; and (i) 2,623 unrestricted staces.

3. Based on the Company's EBT performance in 2015, 100% of the original award of 5,864 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15 were earned. The restrictions will lapse with respect to 1,935 units on 2/17/17 and with respect to 1,994 units on 2/20/18, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the remaining vesting dates.

4. The shares are held by 2456779 Ontario Inc., an Ontario, Canada corporation, of which the reporting person is the sole shareholder.

**Remarks:** 

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney 02/19/2016

<u>in 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).

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