FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* ANDERSON BRUCE K			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP ADS]										all app	p of Reportir blicable) ctor er (give title	X	10% C			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O WELSH, CARSON, ANDERSON AND STOWE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2004										belov	N)		below)		
320 PARK AVENUE, SUITE 2500 (Street) NEW YORK NY 10022				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check App Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Persor Form filed by More than One Report				on			
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Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any			3. 4. Securiti Disposed Code (Instr.		of, or Benefic ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		or 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially		ount of ties cially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial				
						(Month/Day/Year)		8) Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Pric	e	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(I) (Instr. 4)		Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 02/02			02/02/2	2004		S		1,000,0		D \$30.8		0.8	11,494,942		I		By Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VII, L.P.		
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Explanation of Respons				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nur of	ount mber ares						

- 1. The Reporting Person is one of several general partners of the sole general partner of Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VII, L.P. Pursuant to Instruction (4)(b)(iv) of Form 4, the Reporting Person has elected to report as indirectly beneficially owned the entire number of securities beneficially owned by such limited partnership. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecuniary interest therein, and/or that are not actually distributed to him.
- 2. The Reporting Person is one of several general partners of the sole general partner of Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VI, L.P. Pursuant to Instruction (4)(b)(iv) of Form 4, the Reporting Person has elected to report as indirectly beneficially owned the entire number of securities beneficially owned by such limited partnership. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecuniary interest therein, and/or that are not actually distributed to him.
- 3. The Reporting Person also directly beneficially owns 476,202 shares and indirectly beneficially owns (i) 17,790,349 shares held by Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VIII, L.P.; (ii) 655,555 shares held by WCAS Capital Partners III, L.P.; (iii) 268,398 shares held by WCAS Capital Partners II, L.P.; (iii) 268,398 shares held by WCAS Capital Partners II, L.P.; (iii) 268,398 shares held by WCAS Capital Partners II, L.P.; (iii) 268,398 shares held by WCAS Capital Partners II, L.P.; (iii) 268,398 shares held by WCAS Capital Partners of such limited partners hips. Pursuant to Instruction (4)(b)(iv) of Form 4, the Reporting Person has elected to report as indirectly beneficially owned the entire number of securities beneficially owned by each such limited partnership. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecuniary interest therein and/or that are not actually distributed to him.

Remarks:

Jonathan M. Rather, Attorney-

02/03/2004

** 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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