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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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Carter Barry R						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP ADS									all app Direc	p of Reportin blicable) ctor er (give title	g Pers	10% O		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/16/2009									former officer					
(Street)  DALLAS  (City)	DALLAS TX 75252				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	′					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution			n Date,	Code (Inst							6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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Common Stock 10/16/2					/2009	2009		S		6,000 D		) \$	67.55	5	5,970(1)		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)	Execution if any	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		n Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr.: and 4)  Amount or Number of Title Shares		Deri Sec (Ins:	rice of vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		0. wnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect ) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The total number of securities beneficially owned includes 5,970 unrestricted shares.

#### Remarks:

Effective as of 7/1/09, the Reporting Person is no longer subject to Section 16.

<u>Leigh Ann K. Epperson,</u> <u>Attorney in Fact</u> <u>10/16/2009</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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