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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940				
1. Name and A Pearson B	ddress of Reporting Iryan <u>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)	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)	
(Last)(First)(Middle)7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2011		EVP & President, LoyaltyOne		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fil	ling (Check Applicable	
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## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.		Disposed Of			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Benorted	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
02/22/2011		A <sup>(1)</sup>		1,653	A	(1)	121,308	D			
02/22/2011		F <sup>(2)</sup>		14,767	D	\$77.2	106,541	D			
02/23/2011		F <sup>(2)</sup>		5,391	D	\$76.05	101,150 <sup>(3)</sup>	D			
	Date (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2011 02/22/2011	Date (Month/Day/Year)     Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)       02/22/2011     02/22/2011	Date (Month/Day/Year)     Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)     Transic Code (8)       02/22/2011     A <sup>(1)</sup> 02/22/2011     F <sup>(2)</sup>	$\begin{tabular}{ c c c c c } \hline Date & Pate & Pate$	Date (Month/Day/Year)     Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Year)     Transaction Code (Instr.     Disposed Of S)       02/22/2011     Code     V     Amount       02/22/2011     A <sup>(1)</sup> I     1,653       02/22/2011     F <sup>(2)</sup> 14,767	$ \begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	$ \begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c $	$ \begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$	$ \begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$		

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		7. Title Amour Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying	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. Based on the Company's cash EPS growth in 2010, 107% of the original award of 23,632 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/22/10 were earned, resulting in an additional 1,653 units, for a total of 25,285 units. The restrictions will lapse with respect to 8,428 units on 2/22/12 and with respect to 8,429 units on 2/22/13, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the remaining vesting dates.

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

3. The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 68,366 unrestricted shares; (b) 11,968 unvested units from an award of 35,200 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/23/09; (c) 3,959 unvested units from an award of 5,908 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/22/10; and (d) 16,857 unvested units from an award of 25,285 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/22/10. **Remarks:** 

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney 02/24/2011

Date

<u>in Fact</u>

\*\* 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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REVOCATION AND APPOINTMENT OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby revokes and rescinds the Power of Attorney dated September 8, 2006, which appointed Alan M. Utay, Leigh Ann K. Epperson and Jeanette P. Fitzgerald as attorneys-in-fact, for purposes of completing, executing and filing any applicable Forms 3, 4, 5 or 144 as further set out in that Power of Attorney.

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Leigh Ann K. Epperson and Cynthia L. Hageman as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Alliance Data Systems Corporation (the "Company"), any filing in connection with the undersigned's holdings of or transactions in securities issued by the Company, including but not limited to, Forms 3, 4 or 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules thereunder, or Form 144 in accordance with Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form, including but not limited to, Forms 3, 4, 5 or 144, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this power of attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

This power of attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, 5, or 144, or any other form with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this power of attorney to be executed as of this 18th day of February, 2011.

/s/ Bryan A. Pearson Printed Name: Bryan A. Pearson