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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	ess of Reporting Per	rson <sup>*</sup>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ ADS	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
PARKS J MICHAEL				X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY		(Middle)		x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
		( )	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/23/2009		Chairman of the Board				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fili	ng (Check Applicable			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	-		Form filed by More th Person	an One Reporting			

#### 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)		Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(
Common Stock	03/23/2009		<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		63,131	A	\$ <mark>9.9</mark>	357,126	D	
Common Stock	03/23/2009		S <sup>(1)</sup>		35,030	D	\$33.1	322,096 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

# 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\	ate	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				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$9.9	03/23/2009		<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>			63,131	(3)	05/06/2009	Common Stock	63,131	(3)	739,488 <sup>(4)</sup>	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Cashless exercise and hold transaction in employee stock options due to expire on May 6, 2009, ten years after such options were granted, including the sale of 35,030 of the underlying shares to pay the exercise price and applicable withholding taxes. None of the net 28,101 shares were sold.

2. The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 190,940 unrestricted shares; (b) 5,985 unvested shares from an original award of 17,601 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/07; (c) 68,844 unvested shares from an original award of 102,752 performance-based restricted stock units granted 4/28/08; and (d) 56,327 unvested shares from an original award of 84,070 time-based restricted stock units granted 4/28/08.

3. This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.

4. The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes: (a) an option for 230,000 shares granted 9/1/00, which is fully vested; (b) an option for 109,388 shares granted 6/8/01, which is fully vested; (c) an option for 106,203 shares granted 6/24/03, which is fully vested; (d) an option for 129,291 shares granted 2/2/04, which is fully vested; (e) an option for 58,626 shares granted 2/3/05, which is fully vested; (f) an option for 64,572 shares granted 2/13/06, which is fully vested; an option for 41,408 shares granted 2/21/07, of which 27,329 shares are fully vested and 14,079 shares will vest on 2/21/10.

#### **Remarks:**

#### <u>Leigh Ann K. Epperson,</u> Attorney in Fact

03/25/2009

Date

\*\* 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).

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