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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 Address of Reporting Person*    HEFFERNAN EDWARD J   (Last) (First)   (Middle)   17655   WATERVIEW PARKWAY			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP</u> [ ADS ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title X Other (specify below)
		( )	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2004	Executive Vice President / Chief Financial Officer
(Street) DALLAS	ТХ	75252-8012	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

### 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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11341.4)
Common Stock	11/15/2004		<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		9,240	D	\$42.75	<b>36,618</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

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

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transa Code (		5. Nu of Deriv		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	7. Title Amour Securi	nt of	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of derivative Securities	10. Ownership Form:	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	8)		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 5)	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on July 26, 2004. The trading plan was established to sell up to 59,552 shares of the Company's common stock. Portions of the shares may be sold on specified dates or any time the stock achieves certain pre-arranged minimum prices and may take place beginning on August 2, 2004 and ending on December 31, 2004, unless sooner terminated. The Reporting Person will have no control over the timing of any sales under the plan and there can be no assurance that the shares covered by the plan actually will be sold. The Reporting Person entered into the plan for personal tax and financial planning purposes and will continue to have a significant ownership interest in the Company.

2. The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 4,800 out of an original 12,000 shares of restricted stock granted 9/1/00, of which 0 shares are vested; (b) 11,563 out of an original 23,000 shares of restricted stock granted 10/9/00, of which 2,363 shares are vested; (c) 15,000 shares acquired by the exercising of vested employee stock options; and (d) 5,255 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/2/04, of which 0 shares are vested.

#### **Remarks:**

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney in Fact

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11/15/2004
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\*\* 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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