FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  HORN CHARLES L					AI	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ ADS ]									Check all	iship of Report applicable) irector ifficer (give title		Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specif			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2011									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  EVP & Chief Financial Officer						
(Street) PLANO (City)	T∑ (St		75024 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ine) X F F	-/					
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				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			and Se Be Ov	Amount of curities neficially ned Following ported	Form (D) or	nership : Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
						Code	v	Amount	()	A) or D)	Price	Tra	nsaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			(111511.4)					
Common Stock				02/2	02/22/2011				A <sup>(1)</sup>		930		Α	(1	1)	22,018		D			
Common Stock				02/22/2011				F <sup>(2)</sup>		1,573	3	D	\$7	7.2	20,445(3)		D				
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of I		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		str. 3	8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5	derivative Securities	y D o (I	0. Iwnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect ) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Based on the Company's cash EPS growth in 2010, 107% of the original award of 13,296 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/22/10 were earned, resulting in an additional 930 units, for a total of 14,226 units. The restrictions will lapse with respect to 4,742 units on each of 2/22/12 and 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) 5,452 unrestricted shares; (b) 3,281 unvested units from an original award of 4,896 time-based restricted stock units granted 12/21/09; (c) 2,228 unvested units from an award of 3,324 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/22/10; and (d) 9,484 unvested units from an award of 14,226 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/22/10.

## Remarks:

<u>Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney</u> <u>in Fact</u>

02/24/2011

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby revokes and rescinds the Power of Attorney dated December 7, 2009, which appointed Alan M. Utay, Leigh Ann K. Epperson and Cynthia L. Hageman 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/ Charles L. Horn Printed Name: Charles L. Horn