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# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Instruction 1(b).

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre		0	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 X 10% Owner
STOWE		(Middle) ANDERSON AND	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/11/2004	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
320 PARK AVENUE, SUITE 2500			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(Street)				X Form filed by One Reporting Person
NEW YORK	NY	10022		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		

## 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)	n Date, Transaction Code (Instr.					Securities Beneficially	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	11/11/2004		S		18,229	D	\$42.5	19,111	<b>D</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	

### 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)		Acquired (A) or     Derivative     Owned       Disposed     and 4)     Reported		Expiration Date		Expiration Date Amount of (Month/Day/Year) Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3		derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	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. The Reporting Person also indirectly beneficially owns 16,160,349 shares held by Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VIII, L.P. Pursuant to Instruction (4)(b)(iv) of Form 4, the Reporting Person has elected to report as indirectly beneficially owned the entire number of securities beneficially owned by such limited partnership. The Reporting Person is a general partner or managing member of the respective sole general partners of such limited partnership. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecuniary interest therein and/or that are not actually distributed to him.

#### **Remarks:**

Jonathan	M. Rather, Attorney-	11/12/2
in-Fact		11/12/2

\*\* 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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