ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * UTAY ALAN M

(First)

(State)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

(Month/Day/Year)

17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY 12/10/2007 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) EVP, CAO, Gen. Counsel, Secy

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Zip)

DALLAS, TX 75252-8012

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Owned

Beneficially Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common 12/10/2007 Stock

 $F^{(1)}$ 2.161

V Amount

D 77.71

(A)

(D)

 $43,379^{(2)}$

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 5	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
UTAY ALAN M			EVP, CAO,				
17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY			Gen. Counsel,				
DALLAS, TX 75252-8012			Secy				

Signatures

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney in Fact 12/12/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) 2,161 shares were withheld by the Company to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock.

The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 454 shares acquired through the Company employee stock purchase plan; (b) 6,818 shares acquired by the exercising of vested employee stock options; (c) 1,691 out of an original 4,972 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 0 shares are vested; (d) 3,765 out of an original 17,778 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, which are fully vested; (e) 10,210 out of an original 13,882 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06,

which are fully vested; (f) 6,335 out of an original 6,941 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06, of which 1,684 shares are vested; (g) 4,141 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/07, of which 0 shares are vested; (h) 4,141 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/07, of which 0 shares are vested stock units granted 2/21/07, of which 0 shares are vested.

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