ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Kennedy Bryan J Issuer Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS (Check all applicable) CORP [ADS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 03/04/2014 EVP & President, Epsilon 700 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PLANO, TX 75024

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative Secu	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Admor Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or Amount (D)	(D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/04/2014		M <u>(1)</u>	15,000 A	\$ 43.2 \$	130,731	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2014		S(1)	15,000 D		115,731 (3)	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)

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)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.2	03/04/2014		M <u>(1)</u>		15,000	<u>(4)</u>	11/17/2014	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
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Kennedy Bryan J			EVP &				
7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700			President,				
PLANO, TX 75024			Epsilon				

Signatures

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney 03/05/2014 in Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- 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) Cashless exercise of employee stock options due to expire on November 17, 2014, ten years after such options were granted.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$283.41 to \$284.10 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Alliance Data Systems Corporation, any security holder of **(2)** Alliance Data Systems Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth herein.
 - The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 89,956 unrestricted shares; (b) 1,108 unvested units from an award of 3,256 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/12; (c) 6,644 unvested units from an award of 19,537 performance-based restricted
- (3) stock units granted 2/21/12; (d) 1,598 unvested units from an award of 2,384 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (e) 8,916 unvested units from an award of 13,306 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (f) 1,501 unvested time-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; and (g) 6,008 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14.
- This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.
- The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes: (a) an option for 7,724 shares granted 2/13/06, which is fully vested; and (b) an option for 4,872 shares granted 2/21/07, which is fully vested.

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