

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HEFFERNAN EDWARD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/21/2013

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President and CEO

PLANO, TX 75024

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	10/21/2013		M ⁽¹⁾			34,735	A	\$ 31.38	251,989	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2013		S ⁽¹⁾			22,884	D	\$ 232.149	229,105	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2013		S ⁽¹⁾			11,851	D	\$ 232.769	217,254 ⁽⁴⁾	D	

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

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- The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 143,148 unrestricted shares; (b) 2,609 unvested units from an award of 7,672 time-based restricted stock units granted 3/21/11; (c) 15,653 unvested units from an award of 46,035 performance-based restricted stock units granted 3/21/11; (d) 4,001 unvested units from an award of 5,971 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/12; (e) 24,005 unvested units from an award of 35,828 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/12; (f) 5,567 unvested time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; and (g) 22,271 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13.
- (4) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.

- The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes: (a) an option for 19,337 shares granted 2/3/05 which is fully vested; (b) an option for 21,482 shares granted 2/13/06, which is fully vested; and (c) an option for 15,223 shares granted 2/21/07, which is fully vested.
- (6)

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