

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP
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FORM 4

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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 *
PARKS J MICHAEL

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)
17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/31/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman, CEO & President

DALLAS, TX 75252-8012

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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/31/2006		A ⁽¹⁾	2,744 A	200,782	D	
Common Stock	03/31/2006		F ⁽²⁾	8,693 D	\$ 192,089 ⁽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 Derivative 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PARKS J MICHAEL 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY DALLAS, TX 75252-8012	X		Chairman, CEO & President	

Signatures

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney
 in Fact
 Date: 04/04/2006

**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) Based on the Company's cash EPS growth as compared to the GAAP EPS growth of the S&P 500, 113% of the performance-based restricted stock award granted on 2/3/05 vested, resulting in an additional 2,744 shares, for a total of 23,849 shares.
- (2) 8,693 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) 868 out of an original 120,000 shares of restricted stock granted 9/1/00 which are fully vested; (b) 1,860 shares purchased in the open market; (c) 18,661 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 6/24/03 which are fully vested; (d) 57,146 shares acquired by the exercising of vested employee stock options; (e) 5,740 out of an original 35,740 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/2/04 which are fully vested; (f) 15,156 out of an original 23,849 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, which are fully vested; (g) 19,263 out of an original 21,105 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 5,122 shares are vested; (h) 19,283 out of an original 22,222 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 8,172 shares are vested; (i) 27,056 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06, of which 0 shares are vested; (continued below)

Remarks:

- (3) Continued from above: and (j) 27,056 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06, of which 0 shares are vested.

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