ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

Form 4 April 25, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

KUBIC MICHAEL D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS

CORP [ADS]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Ctata)

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

17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY 04/21/2006

(7:m)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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burden hours per

3235-0287

January 31,

2005

0.5

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify

below) below)

SVP, Controller / Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

DALLAS, TX 75252-8012

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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	04/21/2006		M(1)	13,749	A	\$ 15	37,490	D	
Common Stock	04/21/2006		S(1)	18,249	D	\$ 54.69	19,241 (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)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	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)	\$ 15	04/21/2006		M(1)	13,749	(3)	08/31/2010	Common Stock	13,749	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
coporting of the control of the cont	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KUBIC MICHAEL D				Chief			
17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY			SVP, Controller	Accounting			
DALLAS, TX 75252-8012				Officer			

Signatures

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney 04/25/2006 in Fact

**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).

The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on February 27, 2006. The trading plan was established to sell up to 18,249 shares of the Company's common stock. Portions of the shares may be sold on specified dates or any time the stock achieves certain pre-arranged minimum prices and may take place beginning on April 21, 2006 and ending on July 21, 2006, unless sooner terminated. The Reporting Person will have no control over the timing of any sales under the plan and there can be no assurance that the shares covered by the plan actually will be sold. The Reporting Person entered into the plan for personal tax and financial planning purposes and will continue to have a significant ownership interest in the Company.

The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 7,200 out of an original 12,000 shares of restricted stock granted 11/9/00, which is fully vested; (b) 2,500 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/2/04, which is fully vested; (c) 1,743 out of an

- (2) original 2,500 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, which is fully vested; (d) 4,052 out of an original 4,444 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 1,089 shares are vested; (e) 1,873 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06, of which 0 shares are vested; and (f) 1,873 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06, of which 0 shares are vested.
- (3) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.

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The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes: (a) an option for 6,611 out of an original 11,111 shares granted 10/29/1999, which is fully vested; (b) an option for 1 out of an original 12,603 shares granted 6/8/01, which is fully vested; (c) an option for 10,000 shares granted 6/24/03, of which 6,600 shares are fully vested and 3,400 shares will vest on 6/23/06; (d) an option for 11,000 shares granted 2/2/04, of which 7,260 shares are fully vested and 3,740 shares will vest on 2/2/07; (e) an option for 11,000 shares granted 2/3/05, of which 3,630 shares vested on 2/3/06, 3,630 shares will vest on 2/3/07 and 3,740 shares will vest on 2/3/08; and (f) an option for 4,472 shares granted 2/13/06, of which 1,475 shares will vest on 2/13/07, 1,476 shares will vest on 2/13/08 and 1,521 shares will vest on 2/13/09.

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