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ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP Form 4 November 03, 2004 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations 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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SWANI SANJAY Issuer Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS (Check all applicable) CORP [ADS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X__ 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O WELSH. CARSON. 11/01/2004 **ANDERSON AND STOWE, 320** PARK AVENUE, SUITE 2500 (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 NEW YORK, NY 10022 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 6. Transaction Disposed of (D) Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4) Following Reported (\mathbf{I}) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Price Amount (D) By Welsh, Carson, Common Anderson 11/01/2004 **J**(1) Ι 1,630,000 D (1) 16,160,349 Stock & Stowe VIII. L.P. (2) By WCAS Capital Common 11/01/2004 **J**(1) 655.555 D 0 Ι (1) Stock Partners III, L.P. (2)

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Common Stock 11/01/2004 J(1) 1,681 A (1) 1,681

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title an Amount o Underlyin Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
SWANI SANJAY C/O WELSH, CARSON, ANDERSON AND STOWE 320 PARK AVENUE, SUITE 2500 NEW YORK, NY 10022			Х			
Signatures						
Jonathan M. Rather, Attorney-in-Fact	11/03/2004					
**Signature of Penorting Derson	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) Distributions of shares by Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VIII, L.P. and WCAS Capital Partners III, L.P. to their respective partners.
- (2) The Reporting Person is a managing member or general partner of the respective sole general partners of the limited partnerships named in Footnote (1) above. Pursuant to Instruction (4)(b)(iv) of Form 4, the Reporting Person has elected to report as indirectly beneficially owned the entire number of securities beneficially owned by each such limited partnership. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial

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ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecuniary interest therein, and/or that are not actually distributed to him.

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