

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP
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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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/23/2004	<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Executive Vice President / Chief Financial Officer
17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(Street)	DALLAS, TX 75252-8012			
(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 or Price		
Common Stock	11/23/2004		F		2,299 (1) \$ 42.85	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		M		6,718 (1) \$ 14.67	D	

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

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6/23/04, 11,227 shares will vest on 6/23/05 and 11,568 shares will vest on 6/23/06; and (f) an employee stock option for 34,735 shares granted 2/2/04, of which 11,463 shares will vest on each of 2/2/05 and 2/2/06 and 11,809 shares will vest on 2/2/07.

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