#### ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

Form 4

February 19, 2016

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### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HORN CHARLES L			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		` '	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2016	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & Chief Financial Officer		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
PLANO, TX 75024				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	Tabl	le I - Non-I	<b>Derivative</b>	Secui	rities 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d 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	02/17/2016		F(1)	512	D	\$ 191.1	31,511	D	
Common Stock	02/18/2016		F <u>(1)</u>	949	D	\$ 198.32	30,562 (2) (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)

<ol> <li>Title of</li> </ol>	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	]
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### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HORN CHARLES L 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 PLANO, TX 75024 EVP & Chief Financial Officer 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr

## **Signatures**

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Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney in Fact

02/19/2016

\*\*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).
- Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units

award of 1,565 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (c) 2,972 unvested units from an award of 8,737 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (d) 363 unvested units from an award of 1,067 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (e) 1,968 unvested units from an award of 5,786 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (f) 734 unvested units from an award of 1,095 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15; (g) 2,938 unvested units from an award of 4,384 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15; (h) 1,434 unvested time-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16; and (i) 5,736 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16.

The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 13,884 unrestricted shares; (b) 533 unvested units from an

Based on the Company's EBT performance in 2015, 100% of the original award of 4,384 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15 were earned. The restrictions will lapse with respect to 1,447 units on 2/17/17 and with respect to 1,491 units on 2/20/18, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the remaining vesting dates.

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