ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Taylor Transient C

17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY

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

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

02/13/2006

EVP, Human Resources

(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

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Person

below)

DALLAS, TX 75252

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly 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 on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/13/2006		A(1)	3,537	A	<u>(1)</u>	16,771	D	
Common Stock	02/13/2006		A(2)	3,537	A	<u>(2)</u>	20,308 (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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.01	02/13/2006		A(4)	8,441	<u>(4)</u>	02/13/2016	Common Stock	8,441

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Taylor Transient C

17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY EVP, Human Resources

DALLAS, TX 75252

Signatures

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney in Fact 02/15/2006

**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).
- The new grant is for 3,537 shares of common stock represented by performance-based restricted stock units, which may be adjusted up or down at the time the restrictions lapse. The restrictions may lapse based on the Company's relative cash earnings per share growth as compared to the S&P 500 GAAP EPS growth measured as of 12/31/06.
- (2) The new grant is for 3,537 shares of common stock represented by time-based restricted stock units. The restrictions will lapse on 1,167 shares on each of 2/13/07 and 2/13/08, and on 1,203 shares on 2/13/09.
- The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 13,234 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 8/17/05, of which 0 (3) shares are vested; (b) the new grant for 3,537 performance-based restricted stock units; and (c) the new grant for 3,537 time-based restricted stock units.
- (4) The new option is for 8,441 shares, of which 2,785 shares will vest on 2/13/07, 2,786 shares will vest on 2/13/08 and 2,870 shares will vest on 2/13/09.

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The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes: (a) an option for 10,800 shares granted 8/17/05, which will vest on 8/17/08; and (b) the new option for 8,441 shares.

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