#### ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

Form 4

October 25, 2006

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add SCULLION JO	ress of Reporting Person * OHN W	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) 17655 WATE	(First) (Middle)  RVIEW PARKWAY	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/23/2006	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and COO		
	(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		
DALLAS, TX	75252-8012		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price			Beneficially Form: Owned (D) or Following Indirect	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Direct Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	10/23/2006		M	30,000	A	\$ 12	80,270	D	
Common Stock	10/23/2006		S	30,000	D	\$ 59.67	50,270 (1)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	\$ 12	10/23/2006		M	30,000	(2)	06/07/2011	Common Stock	30,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCULLION JOHN W 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY

DALLAS, TX 75252-8012

President and COO

## **Signatures**

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney in Fact 10/25/2006

\*\*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 total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 8,491 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, which are fully vested; (b) 7,514 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 2,479 shares are vested; (c) 8,889 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 2,488 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06, of which 0 shares are vested; and (e) 12,688 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06, of which 0 shares are vested.
- (2) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.
  - The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes: (a) an option for 53,334 out of an original 80,000 shares granted on 9/1/00 which is fully vested; (b) an option for 44,715 out of an original 74,715 shares granted on 6/8/01, which is fully vested; (c) an option for 35,723 shares granted on 6/24/03, which is fully vested; (d) an option for 34,735 shares granted on 2/2/04, of which 22,926
- shares are fully vested and 11,809 shares will vest on 2/2/07; (e) an option for 20,872 shares granted 2/3/05, of which 6,887 shares vested on 2/3/06, 6,887 shares will vest on 2/3/08; (f) an option for 24,691 shares granted on 2/3/05 of which 8,230 shares vested on 12/9/05, 8,230 shares will vest on 12/9/06 and 8,231 shares will vest on 12/9/07; and (g) an option for 30,281 shares granted 2/13/06 of which 9,992 shares will vest on 2/13/07, 9,993 shares will vest on 2/13/08 and 10,296 shares will vest on 2/13/09.

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