ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

Form 4 April 29, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **TUCKER DWAYNE H**

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS

CORP [ADS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY 04/28/2008

(Zin)

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify

below)

EVP, HR & Pres Transaction Svc

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

DALLAS, TX 75252-8012

| (City) | (State) (A | Table | I - Non-Do | erivative S | ecuriti | es Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|------------------|------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired n(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 | 04/28/2008 | | A <u>(1)</u> | 59,939 | A | <u>(1)</u> | 94,742 | D | |
| Common Stock | 04/28/2008 | | A(2) | 49,041 | A | <u>(2)</u> | 143,783 | 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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title | and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | TransactionNumber | | Expiration D | ate | Amount | t of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underly | ing | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Derivati | | e | | Securitie | es | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | | and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | Acquired | | | | | | | Follo |
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| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | S | hares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer 10% Owner Other Director

TUCKER DWAYNE H 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY DALLAS, TX 75252-8012

EVP. HR & **Pres Transaction**

Svc

Signatures

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney in Fact

04/29/2008

**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 59,939 shares of common stock represented by performance-based restricted stock units. The restrictions may lapse on 19,779 shares in February 2009, on 19,780 shares in February 2010, and on 20,380 shares in February 2011 contingent on meeting a corporate operating cash flow target for each of the 2008, 2009 and 2010 performance periods. The restrictions may lapse on any unvested units in February 2011 based on a cumulative three-period corporate operating cash flow target.
- The new grant is for 49,041 shares of common stock represented by time-based restricted stock units. The restrictions will lapse on 16,183 shares in February 2009, on 16,184 shares in February 2010, and on 16,674 shares in February 2011.

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