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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS] Pearson Bryan A (Month/Day/Year) 10/02/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 17655 WATERVIEW (Check all applicable) **PARKWAY** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting President, Loyalty Services Person DALLAS, Â TXÂ 75252-8012 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â 15,614 (1) Common Stock D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Title and Amount of 1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 5. 6. Nature of Indirect (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Title Direct (D) Security

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	11/30/2008	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 9.9	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	06/23/2013	Common Stock	18,500	\$ 24.03	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	02/02/2014	Common Stock	16,000	\$ 31.38	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(5)	02/03/2015	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 41.32	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(6)	02/03/2015	Common Stock	12,346	\$ 41.32	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(7)	02/13/2016	Common Stock	7,724	\$ 43.01	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
-	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Pearson Bryan A 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY DALLAS, TX 75252-8012	Â	Â	President, Loyalty Services	Â		

Signatures

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney in Fact

10/05/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) 1,500 out of an original 4,800 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 6/24/03, which are fully vested; (b) 3,200 out of an original 4,000 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05,

- (1) which are fully vested; (c) 4,444 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 1,481 shares are vested; (d) 3,235 shares of time-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06, of which 0 shares are vested; and (e) 3,235 shares of performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/13/06, of which 0 shares are vested.
- (2) The option is for 10,000 out of an original 40,404 shares granted 12/1/98, which is fully vested.
- (3) The option is for 18,500 shares granted 6/24/03, which is fully vested.
- (4) The option is for 16,000 shares granted 2/2/04, of which 10,560 shares are fully vested and 5,440 shares will vest on 2/2/07.
- (5) The option is for 20,000 shares granted 2/3/05, of which 6,600 shares vested on 2/3/06, 6,600 shares will vest on 2/3/07 and 6,800 shares will vest on 2/3/08.
- (6) The option is for 12,346 shares granted 2/3/05, of which 4,115 shares vested on 12/9/05, 4,115 shares will vest on 12/9/06 and 4,116 shares will vest on 12/9/07.

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Reporting Owners 2

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The option is for 7,724 shares granted 2/13/06, of which 2,548 shares will vest on 2/13/07, 2,549 shares will vest on 2/13/09.

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