

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**KUBIC MICHAEL D**

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)  
**17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**09/11/2009**

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  10% Owner  
 Other (specify below)  
**SVP, Interim CFO, Controller / Chief Accounting Officer**

**DALLAS, TX 75252-8012**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	09/11/2009		M	V	6,611 A \$ 11.25	59,584	D
Common Stock	09/11/2009		S	V	6,611 D \$ 58.51	52,973 <sup>(1)</sup>	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.25	09/11/2009		M	6,611	(2) 10/28/2009	Common Stock	6,611

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KUBIC MICHAEL D 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY DALLAS, TX 75252-8012			SVP, Interim CFO, Controller	Chief Accounting Officer

## Signatures

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney  
in Fact  
Date: 09/15/2009

\*\*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).

- (1) The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 18,635 unrestricted shares; (b) 440 unvested shares from an original award of 1,294 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/07; (c) 13,144 unvested shares from an original award of 19,617 performance-based restricted stock units granted 4/28/08; (d) 10,754 unvested shares from an original award of 16,050 time-based restricted stock units granted 4/28/08; and (e) 10,000 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/23/09.
- (2) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.
- (3) The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes: (a) an option for 1 out of an original 12,603 shares granted 6/8/01, which is fully vested; (b) an option for 11,000 shares granted 2/2/04, which is fully vested; (c) an option for 11,000 shares granted 2/3/05, which is fully vested; (d) an option for 4,472 shares granted 2/13/06, which is fully vested; and (e) an option for 3,045 shares granted 2/21/07, of which 2,009 shares are fully vested and 1,036 shares will vest on 2/21/10.

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