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ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP Form 4 February 19, 2015 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Miller Melisa A Issuer Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS (Check all applicable) CORP [ADS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 02/17/2015 EVP & Pres, Retail Credit Svcs 700 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **PLANO, TX 75024** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Ownership (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D) Common  $A^{(1)}$ 02/17/2015 1,326 Α (1)35,012 D Stock Common 02/17/2015  $A^{(2)}$ 5.305 D А (2)40,317 Stock Common 02/18/2015  $A^{(3)}$ 1,794 A (3) 42,111 D Stock Common \$ F<sup>(4)</sup> 02/18/2015 40,955 (5) D 1,156 D 283.85 Stock

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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	;	ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owna Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting o wher runne / runress	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Miller Melisa A 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 PLANO, TX 75024			EVP & Pres, Retail Credit Svcs				
Signatures							
Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney in Fact	02/19/2	015					

\*\*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 1,326 shares of common stock represented by time-based restricted stock units. The restrictions will lapse on 437 (1) units on 2/17/16, on 438 units on 2/17/17 and on 451 units on 2/20/18, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the vesting dates.

The new grant is for 5,305 shares of common stock represented by performance-based restricted stock units, which may be adjusted up or down at the time the performance restriction lapses. The restriction may lapse with respect to 33% of such shares on each of 2/17/16 and

- (2)2/17/17 and with respect to 34% of such shares on 2/20/18 contingent on meeting an EBT metric for 2015 and subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the vesting dates.
- (3) Based on the Company's EBT performance in 2014, 135.5% of the original award of 5,053 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14 were earned, resulting in an additional 1,794 units, for a total of 6,847 units. The restrictions will lapse with respect to 2,259 units on 2/18/16 and with respect to 2,329 units on 2/21/17, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the

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remaining vesting dates.

(4) Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units.

The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 15,912 unrestricted shares; (b) 715 unvested units from an award of 2,101 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/12; (c) 4,289 unvested units from an award of 12,610 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/12; (d) 1,212 unvested units from an award of 1,808 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (e) 6,761

(5) unvested units from an award of 10,089 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (f) 847 unvested units from an award of 1,263 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (g) 4,588 unvested units from an award of 6,847 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (h) the new grant for 1,326 time-based restricted stock units; and (i) the new grant for 5,305 performance-based restricted stock units.

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