ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

HEFFERNAN EDWARD J

Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

CORP [ADS]

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

10% Owner _X__ Director

(Month/Day/Year)

02/17/2016

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

President and CEO

7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE

(Street)

(State)

700

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

PLANO, TX 75024

(City)

			The first period of the fi							
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired			5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	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	(D) or	Ownership	
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)	
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)		
					(A)		Transaction(s)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/17/2016		F(1)	2,640	D	\$ 191.1	243,990	D		
Common Stock	02/18/2016		F(1)	3,335	D	\$ 198.32	240,655 (2) (3)	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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	٥
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	5
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative		•		Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired			`]
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					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
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									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
							Date	Title Nu of	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HEFFERNAN EDWARD J 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700

KWAY, SUITE 700 X President and CEO

PLANO, TX 75024

Signatures

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney o2/19/2016

**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) 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) 182,099 unrestricted shares; (b) 1,893 unvested units from an award of 5,567 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (c) 10,564 unvested units from an award of 31,068 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (d) 1,276 unvested units from an award of 3,751 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (e) 6,914
- (2) unvested units from an award of 20,333 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (f) 2,556 unvested units from an award of 3,814 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15; (g) 10,223 unvested units from an award of 15,257 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15; (h) 5,026 unvested time-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16; and (i) 20,104 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16.
- Based on the Company's EBT performance in 2015, 100% of the original award of 15,257 performance-based restricted stock units (3) granted 2/17/15 were earned. The restrictions will lapse with respect to 5,035 units on 2/17/17 and with respect to 5,188 units on 2/20/18, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the remaining vesting dates.

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