Santillan Laura Form 4 March 08, 2011

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Santillan Laura

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/04/2011

7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE

(State)

700

(Street)

(Middle)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Issuer

below)

Director

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

PLANO, TX 75024

(City)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

D

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

SVP, Chief Acctg. Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

10% Owner

Other (specify

Estimated average

burden hours per

or Price Code V Amount (D)

Common Stock

03/04/2011

 $S^{(1)}$ 823

D

(A)

\$ 81 13,982 (2)

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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Derivativ	ve Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Santillan Laura 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 PLANO, TX 75024

SVP, Chief Acctg. Officer

Signatures

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney in Fact 03/08/2011

**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 sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on April 27, 2010. The trading plan was established to sell up to 823 shares of the Company's common stock. Portions of the shares may be sold on specified dates or any time the stock achieves certain pre-arranged minimum prices and may take place beginning on April 30, 2010 and ending on April 27, 2011, unless sooner terminated. The Reporting Person will have no control over the timing of any sales under the plan and there can be no assurance that the shares covered by the plan actually will be sold. The Reporting Person entered into the plan for personal tax and financial planning purposes and will continue to have a significant ownership interest in the Company.

The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 8,182 unrestricted shares; (b) 400 shares held in an IRA account; (c) 1,496 unvested units from an award of 4,400 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/23/09; (d) 743 unvested units from an award of 1,108 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/22/10; and (e) 3,161 unvested units from an award of 4,741 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/22/10.

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