

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP
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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 *
 MCINERNEY THOMAS E

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/05/2004

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below)
 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)

C/O WELSH, CARSON,
 ANDERSON AND STOWE, 320
 PARK AVENUE, SUITE 2500

(Street)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/05/2004		S	148,765	D	\$ 41.43	0	I <u>(1)</u> <u>(3)</u> By WCAS Information Partners, L.P. <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock	11/05/2004		S	400,000	D	\$ 41.43	0	I <u>(1)</u> <u>(3)</u> By Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VII, L.P. <u>(2)</u>

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Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VII, L.P. and a general partner of WCAS Information Partners, L.P. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities, and any proceeds thereof, that exceed his pecuniary interest therein and/or that are not actually distributed to him.

- (3) The Reporting Person also indirectly beneficially owns 75,526 shares held by the McInerney/Gabrielle Family Limited Partnership. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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