ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP Form 8-K July 14, 2008

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

July 14, 2008

Alliance Data Systems Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-15749	31-1429215
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
17655 Waterview Parkway, Dallas, Texas		75252
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		(972) 348-5100
	Not Applicable	
Former nar	me or former address, if changed since	last report
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On July 14, 2008, Alliance Data Systems Corporation (the "Company") provided to market analysts an IR Update announcing that it had signed an agreement for the sale of the Company's utility services business, less certain retained assets, to Vertex U.S. Holdings II Inc. and Vertex Canada Holdings II Limited, two subsidiaries of VTX Holdings Limited ("Vertex"). A copy of this IR Update is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 IR Update dated July 14, 2008 announcing an agreement with Vertex.

Note: The information contained in this report (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Alliance Data Systems Corporation

July 14, 2008 By: Edward J. Heffernan

Name: Edward J. Heffernan

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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