

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 SZEFTEL IVAN M

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)  
 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/30/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Executive Vice President / President Retail Credit Svcs.

DALLAS, TX 75252-8012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/30/2006		M <sup>(1)</sup>	6,666 A \$ 9.9	81,698	D	
Common Stock	01/30/2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>	6,666 D \$ 42.75	75,032 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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- (3) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.

The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes: (a) an option for 77,001 out of an original 80,000 shares granted 9/1/00, which is fully vested; (b) an option for 38,048 shares granted 6/8/01, which is fully vested; (c) an option for 42,528 shares granted

- (4) 6/24/03, of which 14,034 shares vested on each of 6/23/04 and 6/23/05 and 14,460 shares will vest on 6/23/06; (d) an option for 42,103 shares granted 2/2/04, of which 13,894 shares vested on 2/2/05, 13,894 shares will vest on 2/2/06 and 14,315 shares will vest on 2/2/07; and (e) an option for 27,113 shares granted 2/3/05, of which 8,947 shares will vest on each of 2/3/06 and 2/3/07 and 9,219 shares will vest on 2/3/08.

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