ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP Form 8-K July 18, 2002

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 17, 2002

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **001-15749** (Commission File Number) **31-1429215** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY

DALLAS, TEXAS 75252

(Address and Zip Code of Principal Executive Offices)

(972) 348-5100

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On July 17, 2002, Alliance Data Systems Corporation issued a press release to announce earnings results for the second quarter of 2002. The press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

The following financial statements, pro forma financial information and exhibits, if any, are being provided as part of this report in accordance with the instructions to this item.

(a) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF BUSINESSES ACQUIRED.

None.

(b) PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

None.

(c) EXHIBITS.

99.1 Press Release, dated July 17, 2002, in connection with the earnings announcement.

SIGNATURES

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

Alliance Data Systems Corporation

Date: July 17, 2002

By:

/s/ Edward J. Heffernan Edward J. Heffernan Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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