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(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Pearson Bryan A			Symbol				Ι	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]					(Check all applicable)			
7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 02								Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP & President, LoyaltyOne			
				onth/Day/Year) A				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		action Date 2A. Deemed /Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		(A) or			(D)	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)	
Common Stock	02/11/2016			M <sup>(1)</sup>	3,724	(D) A	\$ 43.01	22,950	D		
Common Stock	02/11/2016			S <u>(1)</u>	3,724	D	\$ 180.776 (2)	19,226 <u>(3)</u>	D		
Common Stock								80,841	Ι	By 2456779 Ontario Inc. <u>(4)</u>	

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	execution Date, if Transaction Derivative ny Code Securities		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day,	ate	7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) 5	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.01	02/11/2016		M <u>(1)</u>	3,724	(5)	02/13/2016	Common Stock	3,724

### **Reporting Owners**

<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Pearson Bryan A 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 PLANO, TX 75024			EVP & President, LoyaltyOne				
Signatures							
Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney in Fact	02/12/2	016					
<b>**</b> 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).
- (1) Cashless exercise of employee stock options due to expire on February 13, 2016, ten years after such options were granted.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$180.14 to \$181.11, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Alliance Data Systems Corporation, any security holder of

(2) Alliance Data Systems Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth herein.

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The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 811 unvested units from an award of 2,384 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (b) 4,525 unvested units from an award of 13,306 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/21/13; (c)

- (3) 1,022 unvested units from an award of 1,525 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (d) 5,539 unvested units from an award of 8,267 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/18/14; (e) 1,465 unvested time-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15; and (f) 5,864 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/17/15.
- (4) The shares are held by 2456779 Ontario Inc., an Ontario, Canada corporation, of which the reporting person is the sole shareholder.
- (5) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.
- (6) The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes an option for 4,628 shares granted 2/21/07, which is fully vested.

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