HORN CHARLES L

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HORN CHARLES L Issuer Symbol ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS (Check all applicable) CORP [ADS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 02/15/2019 **EVP & Chief Financial Officer** 700 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting PLANO, TX 75024

(011)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-L	<i>Jerivative</i>	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y 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. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (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	02/15/2019		F(1)	1,085	D	\$ 171.22	14,999	D	
Common Stock	02/19/2019		F(1)	534	D	\$ 174.28	10,533 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u> (4)	D	

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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

10% Owner Officer Director Other

Relationships

HORN CHARLES L 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 **PLANO, TX 75024**

EVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney 02/20/2019 in Fact

**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) Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units.
 - The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 3,550 unrestricted shares; (b) 542 unvested units from an award of 1,593 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/17; (c) 755 unvested units from an award of 2,221 performance-based restricted stock units
- (2) granted 2/15/17; (d) 1,034 unvested units from an award of 1,542 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/18; (e) 1,567 unvested units from an award of 2,339 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/18; and (f) 3,085 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/18.
- Based on the Company's EBT performance in 2018, 75.8% of the original award of 3,085 performance-based restricted stock units (3) granted 2/15/18, or 2,339 units, were earned. The restrictions will lapse with respect to 772 units on 2/18/20 and with respect to 795 units on 2/16/21, subject to continued employment by the Reporting Person on the remaining vesting dates.
- The grant for 3,186 performance-based restricted stock units awarded on 2/15/17 was forfeited due to failure to meet the relative total shareholder return metric for 2017 and 2018.

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