

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

Form 8-K

October 21, 2004

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**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):  
**October 21, 2004**

**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)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions:

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ITEM 1.01. Entry into Material Definitive Agreement

On October 21, 2004, Alliance Data Systems Corporation and certain of its subsidiaries (collectively, the Company ) entered into amendments to the Company s three credit facilities. Collectively, the three amendments increased the aggregate amount of revolving commitments under the three credit facilities from \$400 million to \$435 million.

The amendment to the 3-year credit facility increased the amount of revolving commitments thereunder from \$150 million to \$200 million. The amendment to the 364-day credit facility increased the amount of revolving commitments thereunder from \$150 million to \$185 million. The amendment to the Canadian credit facility decreased the amount of revolving commitments thereunder from \$100 million to \$50 million. After giving effect to the three amendments, the aggregate amount of revolving commitments under the three credit facilities is \$435 million. In addition, the amendments increased the aggregate amount of commitments permitted under the three credit facilities from \$450 million to \$500 million. As a result, the Company has the right to obtain commitments under the three credit facilities for an additional \$65 million in the aggregate without having to amend the credit facilities. Except as set forth above, the remaining terms of each credit facility remain unchanged.

ITEM 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant

See discussion in Item 1.01 which is incorporated herein by reference.

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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: October 21, 2004

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

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