

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP  
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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the  
Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on June 8, 2010.**

**ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS  
CORPORATION**

*ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORPORATION*

*ATTN: LEIGH ANN K. EPPERSON*

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*DALLAS, TEXAS 75252*

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**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting  
**For holders as of:** April 9, 2010  
**Date:** June 8, 2010 **Time:** 10:00 a.m. CDT  
**Location:** 4401 Regent Boulevard

Irving, TX 75063

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com) or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

**See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.**

## Before You Vote

### How to Access the Proxy Materials

#### Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

1. Combined Document

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## How To Vote

### Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** Please refer to the meeting materials for any special requirements to attend the annual meeting and vote the shares in person. Please note that shares owned in the ADS Stock Fund of the Alliance Data Systems 401(k) and Retirement Savings Plan cannot be voted in person and explicit instruction must be provided to the trustee in order for the shares to be represented and voted at the annual meeting.

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow g 1234 5678 9012 available and follow the instructions.

**Vote By Mail:** You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

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**Voting Items**

**The Board of Directors recommends  
that you vote FOR the following:**

1. Election of Directors

**Nominees**

- |    |                        |    |               |    |                   |
|----|------------------------|----|---------------|----|-------------------|
| 01 | Lawrence M. Benveniste | 02 | D. Keith Cobb | 03 | Kenneth R. Jensen |
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**The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal(s):**

2. Approval of 2010 Omnibus Incentive Plan.
3. To ratify the selection of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of Alliance Data Systems Corporation for 2010.

**NOTE:** IN THEIR DISCRETION, THE PROXIES ARE ALSO AUTHORIZED TO VOTE UPON SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING. MANAGEMENT PRESENTLY IS NOT AWARE OF ANY SUCH MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED FOR ACTION.

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