

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP
Form 8-K
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UNITED STATES
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):

February 3, 2009

Alliance Data Systems Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-15749

31-1429215

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

17655 Waterview Parkway, Dallas, Texas

75252

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(972) 348-5100

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

As a clarification to Alliance Data Systems Corporation's (the "Company") earnings release and earnings call on February 3, 2009, the Company wanted to provide additional details around the foreign exchange gains and losses recorded in the fourth quarter of 2008. The gain recorded on its U.S. denominated investments was solely the result of foreign exchange benefit from the decline in the Canadian dollar against the U.S. dollar and was approximately \$10 million. (Note: That any changes in the market value on these investments were recorded in other comprehensive income on the balance sheet.) Offsetting this gain was an approximate \$13 million foreign exchange loss from operations from the same decline in the Canadian dollar in the fourth quarter of 2008. The net result is an approximate \$3 million loss in adjusted EBITDA for the Loyalty Services segment.

Note: The information contained in this report shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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SIGNATURES

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

Alliance Data Systems Corporation

February 4, 2009

By: *Edward J. Heffernan*

Name: Edward J. Heffernan

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer