

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP  
Form 8-K  
August 08, 2007

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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):

August 8, 2007

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 8.01 Other Events.**

On August 8, 2007, Alliance Data Systems Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Alliance Data" or the "Company"), issued a press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 announcing that the stockholders of Alliance Data, voting at a special meeting of the Company's stockholders, adopted the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of May 17, 2007, by and among Aladdin Holdco, Inc., Aladdin Merger Sub, Inc. and the Company.

Approximately 59.98 million shares of the Company's common stock were voted at the special meeting, representing approximately 76.21 percent of Alliance Data's total outstanding shares. Of those shares voting, approximately 59.77 million, or approximately 99.67 percent, voted in favor of the adoption of the merger agreement. The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of the outstanding shares of the Company's common stock was required to adopt the merger agreement.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated August 8, 2007 regarding the adoption by the Company's stockholders of a definitive agreement to be acquired by an affiliate of The Blackstone Group.

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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

*August 8, 2007*

*By: Edward J. Heffernan*

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*Name: Edward J. Heffernan*

*Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

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<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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