ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP Form 8-K March 02, 2006

# 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): March 2, 2006

#### ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**DELAWARE** 

001-15749

31-1429215

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act

## ITEM 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On March 2, 2006, Alliance Data Systems Corporation provided to market analysts an IR Update announcing that through its Epsilon business unit it will provide Citibank, Inc. ( *Citi* ) a comprehensive loyalty solution to support Citi s points-based customer rewards program, the ThankYou Network. A copy of this IR Update is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

#### ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

**EXHIBIT** 

NUMBER DESCRIPTION

99.1 IR Update dated March 2, 2006.

#### **SIGNATURES**

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: March 2, 2006 By: /s/ Edward J. Heffernan

Edward J. Heffernan

**Executive Vice President and Chief** 

Financial Officer

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