TRUCHARD JAMES J

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TRUCHARD JAMES J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI]				5	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP, 11500 N. MOPAC EXPRESSWAY, BLDG. C				09/20/2010					below) below) President			
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person			
AUSTIN, TX 78759-3504									Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)					Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially							
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if Trans any Code			4. Securities Acquired (A) ctionor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(111511.4)		
	Common Stock	09/20/2010			S	6,385 (1)	D	\$ 31.6889	15,766,573	I	by The Truchard Revocable Trust	
	Common Stock	09/20/2010			S	6,385 (1)	D	\$ 31.6889	490,907	I	by The Truchard Decendants' Trust	
	Common Stock	09/21/2010			S	6,250 (1)	D	\$ 31.746	15,760,323	I	by The Truchard	

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							Trust
Common Stock	09/21/2010	S	6,250 (1)	D	\$ 31.746 484,657	I	by The Truchard Decendants' Trust

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. stionNumber of Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
			Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
TRUCHARD JAMES J C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP 11500 N. MOPAC EXPRESSWAY, BLDG. C AUSTIN, TX 78759-3504	X	X	President			
Signatures						
David G. Hugley as attorney-in-fact for James J. Truchard		09/21/2010				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date					

2 Reporting Owners

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Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares were sold under Reporting Person's 10(b)5-1 Plan.

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