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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KODOSKY JEFFREY L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2012

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP, 11500 N. MOPAC

(Street)

(State)

EXPRESSWAY

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

AUSTIN, TX 78759

(City)

(Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Transactionr Disposed of (D) Code

4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

D

Securities Beneficially Owned **Following**

Reported

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Code V Amount 4,000 S

(1)

(D) Price \$ D 27,1095 (Instr. 3 and 4) 799,826

Transaction(s)

02/27/2012 Stock Common 02/27/2012

4,000 S (1)

27.1095

799,827 Ι

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7. Nature of

Indirect

Beneficial

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title | and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | TransactionNumber | | Expiration D | ate | Amount of | | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underly | ing | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Derivative | | | | Securities | | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities Acquired (A) or | | | (Instr. 3 | and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | | | | | | | Follo |
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| | | | | | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | Date | Expiration Date | Title N | r Jumber | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable | | Title Numb | | | |
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| | | | Code V (A) (D) | | | | | S | hares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

10% Owner Officer Other Director

KODOSKY JEFFREY L C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP 11500 N. MOPAC EXPRESSWAY **AUSTIN, TX 78759**



Signatures

David G. Hugley as attorney-in-fact for Jeffrey L. Kodosky

02/29/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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