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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 Starkloff E	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI]					g	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
	(First) ONAL INSTRUMATION, 11500 No			Day/Ye	¹ ay/1 car)				Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President		
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) AUSTIN, TX 78759					- -	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tok	do I N	on I	Dominativa	Soon			or Donoficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	insaction Date 2A. Deemed			ate, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) /Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or					5. Amount of 6. 7. I Securities Ownership Ind Beneficially Form: Beneficially Owned Direct (D) Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/01/2013			Code M		Amount 104	(D)	Price \$ 23.2305	492	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2013			M		6,260	A	<u>(1)</u>	6,752	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2013			F		1,768	D	\$ 26.9586	4,984	D	

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/01/2013		M	1,220	(2)	05/01/2020	Common Stock	1,220	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/01/2013		M	869	(2)	05/01/2021	Common Stock	1,639	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	05/01/2013		M	869	(2)	05/01/2022	Common Stock	2,602	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	05/01/2013		M	869	(2)	05/01/2023	Common Stock	3,562	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/01/2013		M	695	(2)	05/01/2023	Common Stock	3,575	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/01/2013		M	869	(2)	05/01/2026	Common Stock	6,470	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	05/01/2013		M	869	(2)	05/01/2027	Common Stock	7,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
			Senior Vice President				

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Starkloff Eric Howard C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORPORATION 11500 NORTH MOPAC AUSTIN, TX 78759

Signatures

David G. Hugley as attorney-in-fact for Eric H. Starkloff

05/03/2013

**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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest and become exercisable based on time and performance milestones set by the Issuer.

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