

NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 DEHNE TIMOTHY R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS, 11500 MOPAC BLDG B

(Street)

AUSTIN, TX 78759

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/11/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) Senior Vice President  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)				Price
Common Stock	05/11/2007		M		1,788	A	\$ 15.3055	68,779	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2007		M		222	A	\$ 15.3055	69,001	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2007		S		1,700	D	\$ 28.91	67,301	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2007		S		300	D	\$ 28.92	67,300	D	
	05/11/2007		S		10	D	\$ 28.9	66,991	D	

Common  
Stock

Common Stock 05/14/2007 M 2,000 D \$ 15.3055 68,991 D

Common Stock 05/14/2007 S 2,000 D \$ 29.76 66,991 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.3055	05/11/2007		M	1,788	<u>(1)</u> 03/19/2008	Common Stock	6,162	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.3055	05/11/2007		M	222	<u>(2)</u> 03/19/2008	Common Stock	1,512	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.3055	05/14/2007		M	2,000	<u>(1)</u> 03/19/2008	Common Stock	4,374	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

DEHNE TIMOTHY R  
C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS  
11500 MOPAC BLDG B  
AUSTIN, TX 78759

Senior Vice President

## Signatures

David G. Hugley as attorney-in-fact for Timothy R.  
Dehne

05/14/2007

\_\_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) Options vest and become exercisable based on time and performance milestones set by the Issuer.
  - (2) Options vest and become exercisable ratably over a 60-month period from the date of the grant.

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