#### DEHNE TIMOTHY R

Form 4

February 15, 2007

## 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 DEHNE TI	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)					
(Last)  C/O NATIO INSTRUM BLDG B	(First) (ONAL ENTS, 11500 MO		of Earliest 7 Day/Year) 2007	Transaction	ı		Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President				
AUSTIN, T	(Street)  FX 78759		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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed			omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	esed of 4 and (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Benefic Owned Direct (D) Ownership Owned Oirect (D) Ownership Indirect (Instr. 4 (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/13/2007			Code V M	6,000	A	\$ 15.3055	68,855	D		
Common Stock	02/13/2007			S	3,000	D	\$ 28	65,855	D		
Common Stock	02/13/2007			S	3,000	D	\$ 28.01	62,855	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. Transacti 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	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.3055	02/13/2007		M	6,000	<u>(1)</u>	03/19/2008	Common Stock	6,000	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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

02/15/2007

\*\*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.

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