#### NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/

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# FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DEHNE TIMOTHY R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI]				s	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)				Oate of Earliest Transaction onth/Day/Year)				Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS, 11500 MOPAC			05/11/2007				r	below) below) Senior Vice President			
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	(Street)	nendment, Date Original (onth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
AUSTIN, TX 78759  — Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							porting				
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year		3. 4. Securities Acquired (A Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			(D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
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		

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				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

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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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