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(Print or Type	Responses)											
1. Name and A DEHNE TI	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(I t)	(First)			L		-			Director	100	0	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date o (Month/I			ansaction			X Officer (give title Other (specify			
C/O NATIO INSTRUMI BLDG B	DNAL ENTS, 11500 M	OPAC	02/01/2	-					below) Senior	below) Vice President	t	
	(Street) 4. If Amend Filed(Month/				dment, Date Original h/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			
AUSTIN, T	X 78759								Form filed by Me Person	ore than One Rej	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - No	on-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acqu	iired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
C				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(msu: 5 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/01/2008			Μ	V	154 <u>(1)</u>	А	\$ 22.831	59,628	D		
Common Stock	05/01/2008			М	V	154 <u>(1)</u>	А	\$ 22.831	59,782	D		
Common Stock	05/01/2008			М		5,116	А	<u>(2)</u>	64,898	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)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number nof 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
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	05/01/2008		М	2,558	(3)	05/01/2020	Common Stock	15,093
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	05/01/2008		М	1,279	(3)	05/01/2021	Common Stock	8,716
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	05/01/2008		М	1,279	(3)	05/01/2022	Common Stock	10,000

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. 05/05/2008 Dehne

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Acquisition of stock under Issuer's employee stock purchase plan.

(2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.

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(3) The restricted stock units vest and become exercisable based on time and performance milestones set by the Issuer.

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