

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 \*  
 Starkloff Eric Howard

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORPORATION, 11500 NORTH MOPAC

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/01/2015

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive Vice President

(Street)  
 AUSTIN, TX 78759

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (Instr. 8) | 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) |        |   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|--------|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |        |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |                                   |        |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              | V   | 382 <sup>(1)</sup>  | A  | \$ 24.31                          | 6,661  | D |
| Common Stock                    | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              |   | 6,595   | A  | <sup>(2)</sup>                    | 13,256 | D |
| Common Stock                    | 05/01/2015                           |  | F                              |   | 1,834   | D  | \$ 28.3406                        | 11,422 | 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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              | 3   | (3) 05/01/2021   | Common Stock  | 3                             |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              | 845   | (3) 05/01/2022   | Common Stock  | 966                           |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              | 845   | (3) 05/01/2023   | Common Stock  | 1,926                         |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              | 676   | (3) 05/01/2024   | Common Stock  | 2,267                         |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              | 845   | (3) 05/01/2026   | Common Stock  | 4,834                         |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              | 845   | (3) 05/01/2027   | Common Stock  | 5,864                         |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              | 845   | (3) 05/01/2028   | Common Stock  | 6,733                         |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 05/01/2015                           |  | M                              | 1,691   | (3) 05/01/2029   | Common Stock  | 15,000                        |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

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

Executive Vice President

## Signatures

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

05/05/2015

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

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