

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

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**TRUCHARD JAMES J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS  
 CORP, 11500 N. MOPAC  
 EXPRESSWAY, BLDG. C

(Street)

AUSTIN, TX 78759-3504

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/30/2015**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President

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 (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   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/30/2015                           |  | J(1)                           | 1,495,875 D   | \$ 0  | 1,785,375 I  | Held by Truchard NATI Partners, Ltd., the Trust is the general partner. |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 9,064,097 D  |   |

|              |         |   |   |
|--------------|---------|---|---|
| Common Stock | 300,973 | I | Held by the Trust.  |
| Common Stock | 300,972 | I | Held by James J. Truchard TTEE James J. Truchard Descendants Trust II, Dr. Truchard is the trustee. |
| Common Stock | 77,243  | I | Held by Truchard Foundation, Dr. Truchard is the president.   |

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares   |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |   |  |  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                    | Relationships |           |           |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer   | Other |
| TRUCHARD JAMES J<br>C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP | X             | X         | President |       |

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## Signatures

David G. Hugley as attorney-in-fact for James J.  
Truchard

12/30/2015

\_\_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).

This transaction is a pro rata distribution by Truchard NATI Partners Ltd. to certain of its limited partners for no consideration. The  
(1) general partner of Truchard NATI Partners Ltd. is the James J. Truchard TR Truchard Descendants Trusts UA 04-JUN-93 (the "Trust").  
Dr. Truchard is the trustee of the Trust.

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