

NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/
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FORM 4

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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 *
RAZDAN ASH

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)
11500 MOPAC EXPWY. BLDG C
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/01/2008

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below) 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
Dir Corp Dev & Ofc of Pres

AUSTIN, TX 78759

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 or Disposed of (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/01/2008		M	V 254 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 22.831	59,195	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2008		M	1,408 A ⁽²⁾	60,603	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. F	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)				
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	05/01/2008		M	512	(3)	05/01/2020	Common Stock	3,018
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	05/01/2008		M	512	(3)	05/01/2021	Common Stock	3,486
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	05/01/2008		M	384	(3)	05/01/2022	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RAZDAN ASH 11500 MOPAC EXPWY. BLDG C AUSTIN, TX 78759			Dir Corp Dev & Ofc of Pres	

Signatures

David G. Hugley as Attorney-in-Fact for Ash Razdan
05/02/2008

__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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