#### TRUCHARD JAMES J

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TRUCHARD JAMES J			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)  C/O NATION  CORP, 11500  EXPRESSWA	N. MOPAC		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2010	_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President		
(Street) AUSTIN, TX 78759-3504			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ole I - Non	-Derivativ	e Sec	urities Acqu	ired, Disposed o	f, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		sed of 4 and (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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/16/2010		S		` ´	ф	15,913,213	I	by The Truchard Revocable Trust
Common Stock	02/16/2010		S	5,250 (1)	D	\$ 30.7357	637,547	I	by The Truchard Decendants' Trust

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title an Amount o		
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(x.151111. Day) 1 can)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Underlyin Securities (Instr. 3 au	Security (Instr. 5	y Secur
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Numof	mber ares	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
TRUCHARD JAMES J C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP 11500 N. MOPAC EXPRESSWAY, BLDG. C AUSTIN, TX 78759-3504	X	X	President			

### **Signatures**

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

Truchard

02/16/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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) Shares were sold under Reporting Person's 10(b)5-1 Plan.

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