HUGLEY DAVID

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HUGLEY DAVID			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI]				Is	S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS, 11500 MOPAC BLDG B				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2006					Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice Pres. & General Counsel			
					Filed(Month/Day/Year) A				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
	AUSTIN, T	ГХ 78759			\overline{P}				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tak	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benef						y Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or	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)	
	Common Stock	01/30/2006			Code V M	Amount 4,587	(D)	Price \$ 5.9259	10,481	D		
	Common Stock	01/30/2006			M	11,813	A	\$ 9.6297	22,294	D		
	Common Stock	01/30/2006			M	1,687	A	\$ 9.6297	23,981	D		
	Common Stock	01/30/2006			M	1,575	A	\$ 15.3055	25,556	D		
		01/30/2006			M	12,636	A		38,192	D		

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Common Stock					\$ 15.3055		
Common Stock	01/30/2006	M	4,525	A	\$ 12.2222	42,717	D
Common Stock	01/30/2006	S	36,623	D	\$ 34.5	6,094	D
Common Stock	01/30/2006	S	200	D	\$ 34.57	5,894	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	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	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.9259	01/30/2006		M	4,587	(1)	03/20/2006	Common Stock	4,587	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.6297	01/30/2006		M	11,81;	3 (1)	03/19/2007	Common Stock	11,813	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.6297	01/30/2006		M	1,687	(2)	03/19/2007	Common Stock	1,687	
Employee Stock Option	\$ 15.3055	01/30/2006		M	1,575	(2)	03/19/2008	Common Stock	1,575	

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(right to buy)								
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.3055	01/30/2006	M	12,636	<u>(1)</u>	03/19/2008	Common Stock	19,575
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.2222	01/30/2006	M	4,525	<u>(1)</u>	03/24/2009	Common Stock	9,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HUGLEY DAVID C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS 11500 MOPAC BLDG B AUSTIN, TX 78759

Vice Pres. & General Counsel

Signatures

David G. 02/01/2006 Hugley

**Signature of Date
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) Options vest and become exercisable based on time and performance milestones set by the Issuer.
- (2) Options vest and become exercisable ratably over a 60-month period from the date of the grant.

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