

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 \*  
 DAVERN ALEXANDER M

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 CFO & Senior Vice President

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS, 11500 MOPAC BLDG C

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/01/2008

(Street)

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

AUSTIN, TX 78759

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 or Disposed of (A) or (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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
				Code	V	Amount			
Common Stock	02/01/2008		M	V	333 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 22.831	1,310	D
Common Stock	05/01/2008		M	V	334 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 22.831	1,644	D
Common Stock	05/01/2008		M		5,116	A	<u>2</u>	6,760	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)	05/01/2008		M	2,558	(3) 05/01/2020	Common Stock	15,093
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	05/01/2008		M	1,279	(3) 05/01/2021	Common Stock	8,716
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	05/01/2008		M	1,279	(3) 05/01/2022	Common Stock	10,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DAVERN ALEXANDER M C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS 11500 MOPAC BLDG C AUSTIN, TX 78759			CFO & Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

David G. Hugley as Attorney-in-Fact for Alexander M. Davern

05/05/2008

\*\*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.

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

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