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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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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad TRUCHARD		rting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS			08/11/2008	below) below) President			
CORP, 11500 N. MOPAC				Tresident			
EXPRESSW	AY, BLDG	. C					
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
AUSTIN, TX 78759-3504				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabla I - Non-Darivativa Sacuritias Ac	quired Disposed of or Reneficially Owner			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	ed of (D)	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	08/11/2008		S	5,250 (1)	D	\$ 34.35	16,088,291	I	by The Truchard Revocable Trust
Common Stock	08/11/2008		S	5,250 (1)	D	\$ 34.35	812,625	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.	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/		Under Securi	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	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 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

08/12/2008

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

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