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NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ Form 4 April 20, 2006 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading KODOSKY JEFFREY L Issuer Symbol NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS (Check all applicable) CORP /DE/ [NATI] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS 04/18/2006 CORP, 11500 N. MOPAC EXPRESSWAY (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting AUSTIN, TX 78759 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 7. Nature of 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 6. Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (\mathbf{I}) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 6,000 \$ S D 04/18/2006 1,246,390 D Stock (1) 33.1794 Common 6,000 \$ D 1,246,391 04/18/2006 S I by Spouse 33.1794 Stock (1) by Laura Common \$ S 600⁽¹⁾ D Kodosky 04/18/2006 712.974 I 33.1794 Stock trust Common 04/18/2006 S 600⁽¹⁾ D 712,974 I by Karen \$ Stock 33.1794 Kodosky

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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)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	;	ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owna Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships						
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
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Signatures						
David G. Hugley as attorney-in-fact for Jeffrey L. Kodosky						
	Date					
	X	Director 10% Owner X	Director 10% Owner Officer X Îrey L. 04/20/20			

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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