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| (Print or Type R | esponses) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| McGrath Michael E Syr | | | Symbol NATION | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| | ^(First) NAL INSTRU TION, 11500 N | | 3. Date of (Month/Da 05/01/20 | - | ansaction | | | X Director Officer (give below) | | 6 Owner er (specify | | |
| | (Street) 4. If Amendment, Filed(Month/Day/Y | | | | ay/Year) Applicable I _X_ Form fi | | | | by One Reporting Person | | | |
| AUSTIN, T | X 78759 | | | | | | | Form filed by N Person | More than One Re | eporting | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table | e I - Non-Do | erivative S | Securi | ties Ac | quired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | lly Owned | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea | ar) Execution any | emed on Date, if 'Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V | 4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, Amount | l (A) c l 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 | 05/01/2015 | | | М | 3,102 | A | <u>(1)</u> | 5,102 | 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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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 E S (1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---------|--|--------------------|---|--|-------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(1)</u> | 05/01/2015 | | М | 3,102 | (2) | 05/01/2029 | Common Stock | 9,306 | |
| Poparting Owners | | | | | | | | | | |

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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | Relationships | | | | |
|--|------------|---------------|---------|-------|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| McGrath Michael E C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORPORATION 11500 NORTH MOPAC AUSTIN, TX 78759 | Х | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | |
| David G. Hugley as attorney-in-fact for Michael E. McGrath | 05/04/2015 | | | | | |
| <u>**</u> 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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments on the anniversary of the vesting commencement date, May 1, 2014.

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