

NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/

Form 4

April 26, 2013

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**CARLTON DONALD 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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**04/24/2013**

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

**C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS  
CORP, 11500 N. MOPAC, BLDG B**

(Street)

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

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

**AUSTIN, TX 78759**

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             | (D)                                                                  | Price                                                             |

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<br>Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction<br>of Derivative | 5. Number | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities | 8 |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---|
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| Security<br>(Instr. 3)       | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) |     | (Instr. 3 and 4)    |                    | S<br>(1         |                                        |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------|
|                              |                                                   |                         | Code               | V                                                                                 | (A)              | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units | <u>(1)</u>                                        | 04/24/2013              | A                  |                                                                                   | 3,978            |     | <u>(2)</u>          | 05/01/2028         | Common<br>Stock | 3,978                                  |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CARLTON DONALD M  
C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP  
11500 N. MOPAC, BLDG B  
AUSTIN, TX 78759

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## Signatures

David G. Hugley as attorney-in-fact for Donald M.  
Carlton

04/26/2013

                    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, 2013.

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