NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/

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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## **SCHEDULE 13G**

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 4)\*

National Instruments Corp. (Name of Issuer)

(Title of Class of Securities)

**636518102** (CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2014 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b) [ ] Rule 13d-1(c) [ ] Rule 13d-1(d)

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see Instructions).

CUSIP No.: 636518102

1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON Brown Advisory Incorporated ("BA,Inc.") I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY) 52-2112409	
2		CK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ] (b) [ ]
3	SEC USE ONLY	
4		ZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION inc. is a Maryland Corporation
NUMBER OF	5	SOLE VOTING POWER 6,851,007
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	6	SHARED VOTING POWER 186,964
	H 7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0
	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 9,113,407

<sup>\*</sup> The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 9,113,407		
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES []		
11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 7.14%		
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON HC (Parent Holding Company)		
CUSIP No.: 6365181	102		
1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON Brown Investment Advisory & Trust Company ("BIATC") I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY) 52-1811121		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ] (b) [ ]		
3	SEC USE ONLY		
4	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION BIATC is a Maryland Company		
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	5 SOLE VOTING POWER 170,616		
	6 SHARED VOTING POWER 0		
	T 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0		
9	8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 170,616 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 170,616		
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES []		
11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 0.13%		
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON BK (Bank)		
CUSIP No.: 6365181	02		
1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON Brown Advisory, LLC ("BA,LLC") I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY) 26-0680642		

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A 2 MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ] (b) [ ] 3 SEC USE ONLY CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION 4 BA,LLC is a Maryland Company NUMBER OF 5 SOLE VOTING POWER 6,680,391 **SHARES** 6 SHARED VOTING POWER 186,964 **BENEFICIALLY** OWNED BY EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0 REPORTING PERSON WITH 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 8,942,791 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY 9 OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 8,942,791 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT 10 IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [] PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY 11 AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 7.01% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IA (Investment 12 Adviser) CUSIP No.: 636518102 NAME OF ITEM 1(a). **ISSUER:** National Instruments Corp. ADDRESS OF **ISSUER'S** ITEM 1(b). **PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:** 11500 NORTH MOPAC **EXPRESSWAYAUSTIN TX** 78759 NAME OF ITEM 2(a). **PERSON** FILING: Brown Advisory Incorporated ("BA,Inc.")Brown Investment Advisory & Trust Company ("BIATC")Brown Advisory, LLC ("BA,LLC")

ADDRESS OF

PRINCIPAL BUSINESS

ITEM 2(b).

OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE: 901 South Bond Street, Ste. 400Baltimore, MD 21231 ITEM 2(c). CITIZENSHIP: Brown Advisory Incorporated ("BA,Inc.") - BA,Inc. is a Maryland CorporationBrown Investment Advisory & Trust Company ("BIATC") - BIATC is a Maryland CompanyBrown Advisory, LLC ("BA,LLC") -BA,LLC is a Maryland Company TITLE OF **CLASS OF** ITEM 2(d). **SECURITIES: CUSIP** ITEM 2(e). **NUMBER:** 636518102 IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO ITEM 3. SECTION 240.13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c) CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A: Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (a) (15 U.S.C. 78c); [X] Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 (b) U.S.C. 78c): [ ] Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of (c) the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c); [ ] Investment company registered under Section 8 of the (d) Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8); [X] An investment adviser in accordance with (e) 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E); [ ] An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in (f) accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F); [X] A parent holding company or control person in (g) accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G); A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of (h) the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813); A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the (i) Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3); A non-U.S. institution in accordance with (i)240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);

Group, in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K). If (k) filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with 240.13d1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify the type of institution:

BA,Inc. is a parent holding company or control person in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G)BIATC is a bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c)BA,LLC is an investment adviser in accordance with 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)

ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP:

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

Amount beneficially owned: (a)

9,113,407

(b) Percent of class:

7.14%

(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

Brown Advisory Incorporated ("BA,Inc.") -6,851,007Brown Investment Advisory & Trust Company ("BIATC") - 170,616Brown Advisory, LLC ("BA,LLC") - 6,680,391

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

Brown Advisory Incorporated ("BA,Inc.") -186,964Brown Investment Advisory & Trust Company ("BIATC") - 0Brown Advisory, LLC ("BA,LLC") -186,964

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

Brown Advisory Incorporated ("BA,Inc.") - 0Brown Investment Advisory & Trust Company ("BIATC") -0Brown Advisory, LLC ("BA,LLC") - 0

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

Brown Advisory Incorporated ("BA,Inc.") -9,113,407Brown Investment Advisory & Trust Company ("BIATC") - 170,616Brown Advisory, LLC ("BA,LLC") - 8,942,791

**OWNERSHIP OF** 

ITEM 5. FIVE PERCENT OR

LESS OF A CLASS:

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of

securities, check the following [ ].

**OWNERSHIP OF** 

MORE THAN FIVE

ITEM 6. PERCENT ON

BEHALF OF

ANOTHER PERSON:

The total securities being reported are beneficially owned by investment

companies and other managed

accounts of direct/indirect

subsidiaries of BA, Inc. (listed

above). These subsidiaries

may be deemed to be

beneficial owners of the

reported securities because

applicable investment

advisory contracts provide

voting and/or investment

power over securities.

**IDENTIFICATION** 

**AND** 

**CLASSIFICATION** 

OF THE

**SUBSIDIARY** 

ITEM 7. WHICH ACQUIRED

THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED

ON BY THE

PARENT HOLDING

**COMPANY:** 

Brown Advisory Incorporated (BA, Inc.) is a parent holding company filing this schedule on behalf of the following subsidiaries pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934: Brown Advisory, LLC

(BA, LLC) IA (Investment

Adviser) Brown Investment

Advisory & Trust Company

(BIATC) BK (Bank)

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION

**AND** 

CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF

THE GROUP:

NOTICE OF

ITEM 9. DISSOLUTION OF

**GROUP:** 

#### ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

# **SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 11, 2015

Date

Brown Advisory Incorporated ("BA,Inc.")

Brett D. RogersChief Compliance Officer

Signature

Brett D. Rogers, Chief Compliance Officer

Name/Title

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations (see 18 U.S.C. 1001).

CUSIP No.: 636518102

Joint Filing Agreement ------- Party signing this filing agrees that this statement is submitted as a joint filing on behalf of the undersigned: Brown Advisory Incorporated ("BA,Inc") - Parent Holding Company Brown Investment Advisory & Trust Company ("BIATC") Brown Advisory, LLC("BA, LLC")

SIGNATURE 7