

Raudins Eric J
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Â Raudins Eric J
(Last) (First) (Middle)

3250 INTERSTATE DRIVE
(Street)

RICHFIELD,Â OHÂ 44286

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
01/27/2005

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
National Interstate CORP [NATL]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer ____ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
VP, Personal Lines

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

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Shares, \$0.01 par value

24,000

D Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

Date Exercisable Expiration Date

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

Title Amount or Number of

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:
Direct (D)
or Indirect

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
				Common Shares, \$0.01 par value			
Option (Right to Buy)	01/01/2002 ⁽¹⁾	01/01/2011		56,000	\$ 1.25	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Raudins Eric J 3250 INTERSTATE DRIVE RICHFIELD, OH 44286	Â	Â	Â VP, Personal Lines	Â

Signatures

/s/ Eric J.
Raudins

01/27/2005

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) These options vest 20% per year each January 1st for five years.

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