

National Interstate CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**Haffner Paul**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3250 INTERSTATE DRIVE

(Street)

RICHFIELD, OH 44286

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**09/17/2007**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**VP, Sec'y and General Counsel**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	(A) or (D)	5. Amount or Price	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007		M	400	A	\$ 15.03	1,400	D	
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007		S	400	D	\$ 29.17	1,000	D	
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007		M	650	A	\$ 15.03	1,650	D	

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Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	650	D	\$ 29.16	1,000	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	M	1,100	A	\$ 15.03	2,100	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	1,100	D	\$ 29.15	1,000	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	M	900	A	\$ 15.03	1,900	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	900	D	\$ 29.12	1,000	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	M	700	A	\$ 15.03	1,700	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	700	D	\$ 29.1	1,000	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	M	100	A	\$ 15.03	1,100	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	100	D	\$ 28.96	1,000	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	M	100	A	\$ 15.03	1,100	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	100	D	\$ 28.93	1,000	D
	09/17/2007	M	100	A		1,100	D

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Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)					\$ 15.03		
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	100	D	\$ 28.92	1,000	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	M	300	A	\$ 15.03	1,300	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	300	D	\$ 28.91	1,000	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	M	300	A	\$ 15.03	1,300	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	300	D	\$ 28.88	1,000	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	M	670	A	\$ 15.03	1,670	D
Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	09/17/2007	S	670	D	\$ 28.87	1,000	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D S (I
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(D)  
(Instr. 3, 4,  
and 5)

				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			400	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	400
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			650	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	650
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			1,100	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	1,100
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			900	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	900
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			700	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	700
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			100	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	100
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			100	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	100
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			100	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	100
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			300	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	300
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007		M			300	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	Common Shares (\$0.01	300

Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.03	09/17/2007	M	670	01/01/2007	04/28/2015	par value) Common Shares (\$0.01 par value)	670
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Haffner Paul 3250 INTERSTATE DRIVE RICHFIELD, OH 44286			VP, Sec'y and General Counsel	

## Signatures

/s/ Paul F.  
Haffner

09/19/2007

\*\*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) Not Applicable.

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