

# **NATIONAL INTERSTATE CORP**

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**GONZALES ARTHUR J**

## **FORM 4**

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)	
<b>Gonzales Arthur J</b>		<b>National Interstate CORP [ NATL ]</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Sr. VP, Gen. Counsel &amp; Sec'y</b>	
(Last) (First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)			
<b>3250 INTERSTATE DRIVE</b>		<b>11/10/2016</b>			
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)	
<b>RICHFIELD, OH 44286-9000</b>				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)					

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Shares (\$.01 par value)	11/10/2016		D		5331	(1)	D	\$32	0	D

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option (Right to Buy)	\$22.95	11/10/2016		D		40000		1/1/2010	(2)	Common Shares (\$.01 par value)	40000.0	\$9.55	0	D	

### Explanation of Responses:

- ( Represents restricted shares. Disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 25, 2016, by and among Great American Insurance Company, GAIC Alloy, Inc., and National Interstate Corporation (the "Company"), as amended by Amendment No. 1, dated as of August 15, 2016 (the "Agreement and Plan of Merger"). Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, effective as of November 10, 2016, these shares, whether vested or unvested, were automatically cancelled and converted into the the right to receive \$32.00 per share in cash, less any required withholding taxes. In addition, the Company declared a special cash dividend of \$0.50 per common share payable to shareholders of record immediately prior to the effective time of the merger.
- ( Disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, such options, whether vested or unvested, were cancelled and converted into the right to receive 2) per share the excess of \$32.50 over the per share exercise price, less any withholding taxes.

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>Gonzales Arthur J</b> <b>3250 INTERSTATE DRIVE</b> <b>RICHFIELD, OH 44286-9000</b>			<b>Sr. VP, Gen. Counsel &amp; Sec'y</b>	

### Signatures

/s/ Arthur J. Gonzales

11/14/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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