

NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO  
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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 \*  
**TANSKI RONALD J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 6363 MAIN STREET  
 (Street)

WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO [NFG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/07/2007

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)  
 Treas./Principal Fin. Officer

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

**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)	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 Stock	02/07/2007		M		25,000	A	\$ 22.44
Common Stock	02/07/2007		F		13,050	D	\$ 42.98
Common Stock	02/08/2007		M		10,396	A	\$ 20.81
Common Stock	02/08/2007		F		5,036	D	\$ 42.96
Common Stock	02/08/2007		M		4,804	A	\$ 20.81

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Common Stock	02/08/2007	F	2,327	D	\$ 42.96	66,158	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2007	J	V 216 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 0	14,717	I	401k Trust
Common Stock	02/07/2007	J	V 5 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 0	2,831	I	ESOP Trust

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 (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.437	02/07/2007		M	25,000	12/11/1998 12/12/2007	Common Stock	25,000	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.813	02/08/2007		M	10,396	04/04/1998 04/05/2007	Common Stock	10,396	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.813	02/08/2007		M	4,804	04/04/1998 04/04/2007	Common Stock	4,804	

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

TANSKI RONALD J  
6363 MAIN STREET  
WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221

Treas./Principal Fin. Officer

## Signatures

Ronald J. Tanski                      02/09/2007

          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)          Routine acquisitions under the NFG 401(k) Plan Trust, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c), a non-reportable transaction.
- (2)          Routine acquisitions under the NFG ESOP Trust, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c), a non-reportable transaction

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