

ACKERMAN PHILIP C  
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 \*  
ACKERMAN PHILIP C

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/24/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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)	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)
Common Stock	12/27/2007		G	V 1,063 D \$ 0	588,031	D	
Common Stock	02/19/2008		G	V <u>40,161</u> <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 0	547,870	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2008		G	V <u>46,089</u> <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 0	501,781	D	
Common Stock					86,250 <u>(1)</u>	I	By Trust
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	600 D \$ 46.3	85,650	I	By Trust
	03/24/2008		S	1,800 D	83,850	I	By Trust

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Common Stock						\$ 46.31				
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	100	D	\$ 46.32	83,750	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	100	D	\$ 46.34	83,650	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	700	D	\$ 46.36	82,950	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	1,400	D	\$ 46.37	81,550	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	1,000	D	\$ 46.4	80,550	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	500	D	\$ 46.42	80,050	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	500	D	\$ 46.43	79,550	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	400	D	\$ 46.44	79,150	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	200	D	\$ 46.47	78,950	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	1,900	D	\$ 46.49	77,050	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		S	800	D	\$ 46.5	76,250 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		J	V	581 <sup>(3)</sup>	A	\$ 0	17,315	I	401k Trust
Common Stock	03/24/2008		J	V	219 <sup>(4)</sup>	A	\$ 0	21,806	I	ESOP Trust
Common Stock							1,000	I	Wife, trust for mother	

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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Derivative Security	Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
		(A)	(D)				

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ACKERMAN PHILIP C 6363 MAIN STREET WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221		X		

## Signatures

James R. Peterson, Attorney  
in Fact

03/26/2008

\_\_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) Represents transfer of shares to a Charitable Remainder Trust of which the reporting person is a Trustee but not a beneficiary.
- (2) Represents shares owned by the Trust after the sale of 10,000 shares on March 24, 2008.
- (3) Routine acquisition under the NFG 401(k) Plan Trust, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c), a non-reportable transaction.
- (4) Routine acquisition under the NFG ESOP Trust, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c), a non-reportable transaction.

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