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FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	ss of Repo			r Name and Ticker o		0 5	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
 Mazanec, George	L.						X_Director10% Owner						
(Last)	(First) (I	of R	еро	Identification Numberting Person,	N	. Statement for Month/Day/Year	Officer (give title below)Other (specify below)						
302 Fall River Cou	ırt	if an	ent	ity (voluntary)	U	4/01/03		_					
(Street) Houston , TX 77024						I	. If Amendment, Date of Original Month/Day/Year)	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Table I — Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
	action	3. Trans- action Co	on Code				Securities	ship Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
	(Month/ Day/		(Instr. 8)	`				Owned Follow-	Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)			
	Year)	if any (Month/Day/ Year)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	ing Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)	(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock	04/01/03		A		300 (1)	A	21.875	6,200	D				
Common Stock								600	I	By Spouse			

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

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2. Conver-	3.	3A.	4.	5. Number	of	6. Date		7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature of	
Derivative	sion or	Trans-	Deemed	Trans-	Derivative		Exercisable		Amou	int of	Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	Indirect	
Security	Exercise	action	Execution	action	Securities Acquired		and Expiration		Unde	rlying	Security	Securities	ship	Beneficial	
	Price of	Date		Code	(A) or Disposed of		Date		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Form	Ownership	
(Instr. 3)	Derivative		Date,		(D)		(Month/Da	y/	(Instr.	. 3 & 4)		Owned	of Deriv-	(Instr. 4)	
	Decuirty		if any	(Instr.			Year)					Following			
			(Month/	8)	(Instr. 3, 4	& 5)						Reported	ative		
			Day/ Year)									Transaction	Security:		
			1 car)									(s)	Direct		
												(Instr. 4)	(D)		
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date	Expira-		Amount or			or		
							Exer-			Number of			Indirect		
							cisable	tion		Shares			(I)		
								Date					(Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Acquired through quarterly grant under the National Fuel Gas Company Retainer Policy For Non-Employee Directors.

By: /s/ George L. Mazanec

04/01/03 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

**Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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