AIRGAS INC Form SC 14D9/A March 08, 2010

# **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **SCHEDULE 14D-9**

### SOLICITATION/RECOMMENDATION

## STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(4) OF THE

## **SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

(Amendment No. 2)

# AIRGAS, INC.

(Name of Subject Company)



#### (Name of Person Filing Statement)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

#### 009363102

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Robert H. Young, Jr.

Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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This Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 14D-9 amends and supplements the Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 (as amended from time to time, the *Statement*) originally filed by Airgas, Inc., a Delaware corporation (*Airgas* or the *Company*), with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 22, 2010, relating to the tender offer by Air Products Distribution, Inc. (*AP Sub*), a Delaware corporation and wholly owned subsidiary of Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. (*Air Products*), to purchase all of the outstanding shares of Airgas Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, including the associated rights to purchase shares of Series C Junior Participating Preferred Stock (*Rights*, and together with the Airgas Common Stock, the *Airgas Common Shares*), at a price of \$60.00 per share, net to the seller in cash, without interest and less any required withholding taxes. Except as specifically noted herein, the information set forth in the Statement remains unchanged.

#### ITEM 9. EXHIBITS

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Item 9 is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following exhibit.

Exhibit Number	Description
(a)(11)	Notice to Participants of Airgas, Inc. 401(k) Plan, dated March 5, 2010.

#### SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

AIRGAS, INC.

By:/s/Robert H. Young, Jr.Name:Robert H. Young, Jr.Title:Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Dated: March 8, 2010

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