#### NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO

Form 4

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12/19/2016

December 21, 2016

#### **OMB APPROVAL** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Carlotti Carl M Issuer Symbol NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO [NFG] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title 6363 MAIN STREET 12/19/2016 below) President - NFG Dist. Corp. (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price Common 12/19/2016 M 393 Α <u>(1)</u> 51,714 D Stock Common 145 (2) 12/19/2016 F D 51,569 D 58.01 Stock Common 12/19/2016 428 D M A <u>(1)</u> 51,997

F

158 (3) D

51,839

13,952 (4)

D

I

401k Trust

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5
				Code V		(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	d <u>(1)</u>	12/19/2016		M		393	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	393	\$ 0
Restricted Stock Units	d <u>(1)</u>	12/19/2016		M		428	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	428	\$ 0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Carlotti Carl M

6363 MAIN STREET President - NFG Dist. Corp.

WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221

## **Signatures**

James P. Baetzhold, Attorney in Fact 12/21/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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### **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) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- On December 19, 2016, the reporting person had 145 shares withheld and cancelled to cover minimum required tax withholdings due to (2) the vesting of restricted stock units. These share cancellations are shown on Table I as dispositions (Transaction Code "D" in Column 4), although none of these cancelled shares were sold into the market, as indicated by Transaction Code "F" in Column 3.
- On December 19, 2016, the reporting person had 158 shares withheld and cancelled to cover minimum required tax withholdings due to (3) the vesting of restricted stock units. These share cancellations are shown on Table I as dispositions (Transaction Code "D" in Column 4), although none of these cancelled shares were sold into the market, as indicated by Transaction Code "F" in Column 3.
- The NFG stock fund under the NFG 401(k) plan is denominated in units, representing ownership interests in a fund that includes both NFG common stock and a reserve of cash. The information reported represents the dollar value of the reporting person's balance in the NFG stock fund as of December 15, 2016, as reported by the plan administrator, divided by the closing price of NFG common stock on that date.
- The NFG employee stock ownership plan is denominated in units, representing ownership interests in a fund that includes both NFG common stock and a reserve of cash. The information reported represents the dollar value of the reporting person's balance in the ESOP as of December 15, 2016, as reported by the plan administrator, divided by the closing price of NFG common stock on that date.
- (6) On December 19, 2013, the reporting person was granted 1,178 restricted stock units, vesting as follows: 392 on December 19, 2014, 393 on December 19, 2015, and 393 on December 19, 2016.
- On December 19, 2014, the reporting person was granted 1,284 restricted stock units, vesting as follows: 428 on December 19, 2015, 428 on December 19, 2016, and 428 on December 19, 2017.

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