NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

BECK JAMES A

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

	NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO [NFG]						(Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1201 LOUISIANA STREET, SUITE 400			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/03/2006						Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below)			
HOUSTON	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	e I - No	- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year) Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	10/03/2006			S		4,000	D	\$ 36	56,162	D		
Common Stock	10/03/2006			S		4,000	D	\$ 36.1	52,162	D		
Common Stock	10/03/2006			S		4,000	D	\$ 36.15	48,162	D		
Common Stock	10/04/2006			S		800	D	\$ 35.95	47,362	D		
Common Stock									4,938	I	401k Trust	

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 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Common} \\ \text{Stock} \end{array} \hspace{30mm} \text{306} \hspace{30mm} \text{I} \hspace{30mm} \begin{array}{c} \text{ESOP} \\ \text{Trust} \end{array}$

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	5	ate	Amou Under Securi	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BECK JAMES A 1201 LOUISIANA STREET SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77002

Retired Pres. Seneca Resources

Signatures

James R. Peterson, Attorney in Fact 10/05/2006

**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).

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