WILKENS PAUL C Form 4 March 28, 2003

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Add Wilkens, Paul C			me and Tic t Corporat		6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) Rochester Gas a 89 East Avenue	of Repo	rting	ntification l g Person, voluntary)	Number	Mo	nth/Day/Year rch 26, 2003	Director			
(Street) Rochester, NY 14649										
(City)	(State)	Zip)	Т	able	I Non-E	Perivati	ve Sec	urities Acquired, Dispos		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/ Year)	3. Trans action C (Instr. 8) Code	ode	4. Securitie (A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 Amount	es Acqu oosed of	ired	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)	6. Owner-	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
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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)

^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Includes equity securities acquired with participant contributions, Company matching fund contributions, and reinvested dividends pursuant to the common stock fund of the Company's 401(k) Plan which are exempt from reporting.
- (2) The phantom shares are held in an employee deferred compensation plan. All payments pursuant to this plan shall be paid in cash and shall commence upon retirement or other termination of employment.
- (3) Includes dividend phantom stock acquired pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature included in the employee deferred compensation plan which is exempt from reporting under Rule 16a-11.
- (4) The Stock Appreciation Right (SAR) was issued in tandem with an Employee Stock Option (right to buy). The exercise of a SAR will result in the corresponding cancellation of the Employee Stock Option (right to buy) to the extent of the number of shares of the Company's Common Stock as to which SARs are exercised. The exercise of the Employee Stock Option (right to buy) will result in the corresponding cancellation of a SAR to the extent of the number of shares of the Company's Common Stock as to which the Employee Stock Option (right to buy) is exercised.
- (5) The option is exercisable in three installments regarding the original number of options granted as follows: (a) in aggregate as to no more than 33 1/3% on June 28, 2003; (b) in aggregate as to no more than 66 2/3% on June 28, 2004; and (c) on June 28, 2005 as to 100% of all options which have not been previously exercised.
- (6) The option is exercisable in three installments regarding the original number of options granted as follows: (a) in aggregate as to no more than 33 1/3% on February 12, 2003; (b) in aggregate as to no more than 66 2/3% on January 1, 2004; and (c) on January 1, 2005 as to 100% of all options which have not been previously exercised.

By: /s/ Paul C. Wilkens 3/27/03
Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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