CORNING NATURAL GAS CORP Form 10QSB/A May 05, 2005

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-QSB/A

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QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For The Quarter Ended December 31, 2004

0-643

(Commission File

Number)

Corning Natural Gas Corporation

New York (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

(State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation or organization) 16-0397420

(IRS Employer ID No)

330 W William Street, PO Box 58, Corning, New York 14830 (Address of principal executive offices)

607-936-3755

| (Registrants telephone | |
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| number, including area | |
| code) | |
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| Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant (1) filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 Or 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934 during the past 12 months and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for at least the past 90 days. Yes X No |
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| Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No_X |
| Number of shares of Common Stock outstanding at the end of the quarter. 506,918 |
| There is only one class of Common Stock and no Preference Stock outstanding. |

PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

<u>Item 1 Financial Statements</u>

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| CORNING NATURAL GAS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY | | |
| Consolidated Balance Sheets | | |
| Unaudited | | |
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| Assets | <u>December 31,</u> 2004 | <u>September 30,</u> 2004 |
| Plant: | | |
| Utility property, plant and equipment | \$25,967,398 | \$25,749,195 |
| Non-utility property, plant and equipment | 373,120 | 373,120 |
| Non-utility assets - discontinued operations | 186,691 | 190,766 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | (10,123,511) | (9,953,708) |
| Total plant utility and non-utility net | <u>16,403,698</u> | 16,359,373 |
| Investments: | | |

| Marketable securities available for sale at fair value | 2,223,184 | 2,058,709 |
|--|--|------------------|
| Investment in joint venture and associated companies | <u>195,071</u> | <u>199,406</u> |
| Total investments | 2,418,255 | 2,258,115 |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 300,884 | 253,863 |
| Customer accounts receivable, (net of allowance for | | |
| uncollectible accounts of \$80,000) | 2,479,192 | 910,793 |
| Gas stored underground, at average cost | 2,469,281 | 3,552,908 |
| Gas inventories | 230,529 | 241,802 |
| Prepaid expenses | 449,763 | 619,155 |
| Current assets - discontinued operations | <u>146,879</u> | 173,662 |
| Total current assets | 6,076,528 | 5,752,184 |
| Deferred debits and other assets: | | |
| Regulatory assets: | | |
| Unrecovered gas costs | 2,373,209 | 1,257,783 |
| Deferred pension and other | 590,014 | 612,010 |
| Goodwill (net of accumulated amortization of \$521,294) | 1,493,719 | 1,493,719 |
| Unamortized debt issuance cost (net of accumulated | | |
| amortization of \$259,879) | 258,785 | 264,175 |
| Other | 426,647 | 438,178 |
| Other assets - discontinued operations | <u>497,530</u> | 509,774 |
| Total deferred debits and other assets | 5,639,904 | <u>4,575,639</u> |
| Total assets | <u>\$30,538,385</u> | \$28,945,31 |
| | | |
| See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements. | | |

| CORNING NATURAL GAS CORP | ORATION AND SUBSIDIARY | |
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| Consolidated Balance Sheets | | |
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| | <u>December 31.</u> <u>2004</u> | <u>September 30.</u> <u>2004</u> |
| Capitalization and liabilities: | | |
| | | |
| Common stockholders' equity: | - | |
| Common stock (common stock \$5.00 par | - | |
| value per share. Authorized 1,000,000 shares; | | |
| issued and outstanding 507,000 shares at Dec 31, 2004 | 4 | |
| and September 30, 2004) | \$2,534,590 | \$2,534,590 |
| Other paid-in capital | 959,512 | 959,512 |
| Retained earnings | 2,524,400 | 2,333,193 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (939,636) | (990,718) |
| Total common stockholders' equity | <u>5,078,866</u> | 4,836,577 |
| | | |
| Long-term debt, less current installments | 9,705,793 | 9,786,528 |
| Long-term debt - discontinued operations | <u>75,918</u> | <u>78,735</u> |
| Total Long-term debt | 9,781,711 | 9,865,263 |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Current portion of long term debt | 148,837 | 79,999 |
| Borrowings under lines-of-credit | 6,575,000 | 6,325,000 |
| Accounts payable | 1,955,102 | 1,356,047 |
| Accrued expenses | 500,669 | 474,873 |
| Customer deposits and accrued interest | 1,369,483 | 1,037,270 |
| Deferred income taxes | 273,790 | 558,681 |
| Other current liabilities - discontinued operations | 27,178 | 61,035 |
| Total current liabilities | 10,850,059 | 9,892,905 |
| Deferred credits and other liabilities: | | |
| Deferred income taxes | 928,598 | 928,598 |
| Deferred compensation | 1,736,536 | 1,678,486 |
| Deferred pension costs & post-retirement benefits | 1,596,521 | 1,413,412 |
| Other | 320,730 | 137,638 |
| Other deferred credits and other liabilites - discontinued operations | 245,364 | 192,432 |

| Total deferred credits and other liabilities | 4,827,749 | <u>4,350,566</u> |
|--|--------------|------------------|
| Concentrations and commitments | | |
| Total capitalization and liabilities | \$30,538,385 | \$28,945,311 |
| See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements. | | |

| CORNING NATURAL GAS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY | | | |
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| Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income | | | |
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| | C | Quarter Ended | |
| | <u>December 31,</u> 2004 | | December 31, 2003 |
| Utility Operating Revenues | \$5,485,152 | | \$5,036,873 |
| Cost and Expense | | | |
| Natural Gas Purchased | 3,346,732 | | 3,106,158 |
| Operating & Maintenance Expense | 1,123,836 | | 1,185,672 |
| Taxes other than Federal Income Taxes | 337,924 | | 318,402 |
| Depreciation | 128,024 | | 127,346 |
| Interest Expense | 324,517 | | 294,812 |
| Income Tax | 81,855 | | 34,098 |
| Other Deductions, Net | <u>1,599</u> | | 4,431 |
| Total Costs and Expenses | <u>5,344,487</u> | | 5,070,919 |
| Utility Operating Income (Loss) | 140,665 | | (34,046) |
| Other Income | 6,211 | | <u>31,088</u> |
| | | | |

| Net Income (Loss) from Utility Operations | 146,876 | (2,958) |
|---|---------------|-----------|
| Net Income from Non-Utility Operations | <u>66,501</u> | 52,712 |
| Net Income from Continuing Operations | 213,377 | 49,754 |
| Loss from Discontinued Operations, Net of Income Tax | (22.170) | (91,537) |
| Net Income (Loss) | 191,207 | (41,783) |
| Other Comprehensive Income | <u>51,082</u> | 64,613 |
| Total Comprehensive Income | \$242,289 | \$22,830 |
| Weighted average earnings per share- | | |
| basic & diluted | \$0.377 | (\$0.085) |
| Weighted average earnings per share = Net income as shown about | ove divided | İ |
| by 506,918 and 491,330 shares at December 31, 2004 and 2003, | respectively. | |

| CORNING NATURAL GAS CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY | | |
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| Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows | | |
| For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 | | |
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| | <u>2004</u> | 2003 |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Net income (loss) | \$191,207 | (\$41,783) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash | | |
| provided by (used in) operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 155,839 | 161,924 |
| (Gain) loss on sale of marketable securities | 626 | (11,735) |
| Deferred income taxes | (82,978) | (30,262) |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: | | 1 |

| (Increase) decrease in: | | |
|---|----------------|-------------|
| Accounts receivable | (1,534,581) | (1,267,657) |
| Gas stored underground | 1,083,627 | 214,724 |
| Gas inventories | 11,273 | (645) |
| Prepaid expenses | 186,390 | 177,912 |
| Unrecovered gas costs | (1,115,426) | (459,716) |
| Deferred charges - pension and other | 27,129 | 218,956 |
| Increase (decrease) in: | | |
| Accounts payable | 653,379 | 200,625 |
| Customer deposit liability | 332,213 | 274,769 |
| Other liabilities and deferred credits | 203,162 | 352,256 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | <u>111,860</u> | (210,632) |
| Cash flow from investing activities: | | |
| Purchase of securities available for sale | (81,944) | (37,974) |
| Capital expenditures, net of minor disposals | (218,203) | (224,273) |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (300,147) | (262,247) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Net borrowings under lines-of-credit | 250,022 | 500,000 |
| Repayment of long-term debt | (14,714) | (57,531) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 235,308 | 442,469 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash | 47,021 | (30,410) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 253,863 | 266,160 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$300,884 | \$235,750 |
| Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information: | | |
| Cash paid during the period for: | | |
| Interest | \$315,985 | \$299,868 |
| Income taxes | \$209,089 | <u>\$0</u> |

Corning Natural Gas Corporation

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note A - Basis of Presentation

The information furnished herewith reflects all adjustments, which are in the opinion of management necessary to a fair statement of the results for the period. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principals generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted pursuant to SEC rules and regulations, although the Company believes the disclosures which are made are adequate to make the information presented not misleading.

The condensed consolidated financial statements contained herein should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's latest annual report on Form 10-KSB. These unaudited interim financial statements have not been audited or certified by a firm of certified public accountants.

It is the Company_s policy to reclassify amounts in the prior year financial statements to conform with the current year presentation.

Note B - New Accounting Standards

In November 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No. 151, "Inventory Costs" (SFAS 151). This statement amends the guidance in ARB No. 43, Chapter 4, "Inventory Pricing," to clarify the accounting for abnormal amounts of idle facility expense, freight, handling costs, and wasted material (spoilage). SFAS 151 requires that those items be recognized as current-period charges. In addition, this statement requires that allocation of fixed production overheads to costs of conversion be based upon the normal capacity of the production facilities. The provisions of SFAS 151 are effective for inventory cost incurred in fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005. As such, the Company is required to adopt these provisions in the beginning of fiscal 2006. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of SFAS 151 on its consolidated financial statements.

Note C - Pension and Other Post-retirement Benefit Plans

The Company uses September 30, 2004 as the measurement date for its plans.

Components of Net Period Benefit Cost:

| | | Three months ended Dec 31, 2004 | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-------------|
| | Pension Benefits | | | Ot | Other Benefits | | |
| | <u>2005</u> | | <u>2004</u> | | <u>2005</u> | | <u>2004</u> |
| Service cost | \$ 90,248 | \$ | 114,596 | \$ | 8,434 | \$ | 9,971 |
| Interest cost | 187,628 | | 185,047 | | 17,519 | | 17,737 |
| Expected return on plan assets | (175,545) | | (164,256) | | 0 | | 0 |
| Amortization of prior service cost | 17,885 | | 28,720 | | 12,186 | | 15,606 |
| Amortization of net (gain) loss | 81,578 | | 114,431 | | (5,473) | | (3,111) |
| Net periodic benefit cost | \$ 201,794 | <u>\$</u> | 278,538 | <u>\$</u> | 32,666 | <u>\$</u> | 40,203 |

Pension Plan Assets

The Company's Pension Plan weighted-average asset allocations at December 31, 2004 and 2003 by asset category are as follows:

| | Plan Assets | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| | At Dece | ember 31 | | | |
| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> | | | |
| Asset Category | 46% | 71% | | | |
| Equity Securities | 44% | 28% | | | |
| Debt Securities | 10% | 1% | | | |
| Other | 100% | 100% | | | |

There is no Company Common Stock included in the plan assets.

Amounts recognized in the Statement of Financial Position consist of:

| | <u>Pens</u> | ion Ben | <u>efits</u> | | <u>Oth</u> | er Benef | <u>its</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------------|-----------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| | <u>2005</u> | | <u>2004</u> | | <u>2005</u> | | <u>2004</u> |
| Prepaid Benefit Cost | | | | | | | |
| Accrued Benefit Cost | \$ (1,796,982) | \$ | (1,831,012) | \$ | (1,035,520) | \$ | (956,675) |
| Intangible Assets | 266,828 | | 337,541 | | | | |
| Accumulated Other | | | | | | | |
| Comprehensive Income | 1,202,787 | | 1,606,009 | | | | |
| Net Amount Recognized | \$ (327,367) | \$ | 112,538 | <u>\$</u> | (1,035,520) | \$ | (956,675) |

The accumulated benefit obligation for all defined benefit pension plans is \$11,199,055 at September 30, 2005 and \$10,685,637 at September 30, 2004, respectively.

Information for pension plans with an accumulated benefit obligation in excess of plan assets:

| | | | Septem | ber 30 |
|--------------------------------|---------------|------|--------|-------------|
| | 2 | 2005 | | <u>2004</u> |
| | | | | |
| Projected Benefit Obligation | \$ 12,858, | ,704 | \$ | 12,269,200 |
| Accumulated Benefit Obligation | 11,199, | ,055 | | 10,685,637 |
| Fair Value of Plan Assets | 9,402, | ,073 | | 8,854,625 |

The plan objective is to provide real (inflation adjusted) growth in assets vs. benchmark over a complete market cycle. The plan objective assumes asset growth will meet or exceed 7.5% of (risk adjusted) growth over a complete market cycle.

Investment guidelines are based upon an investment horizon of greater than five years. There is a requirement to maintain sufficient liquid reserves to provide for payment of retirement benefits.

The Asset Allocation Guidelines for the Fund are as follows:

| | <u>Minimum</u> | <u>Maximum</u> |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Domestic Common Stock | | |
| Large/Mid Cap | 15% | 50% |
| Small Cap | 5% | 15% |
| Reits | 0% | 20% |
| International Common Stock | 10% | 20% |
| Total Equities | 30% | 75% |
| Total Fixed Income | 20% | 60% |
| Cash | 0% | 10% |

These Asset Allocation Guidelines reflect the Fund's desire for investment return. They also reflect the full discretion of the Investment Manager to shift the asset mix within the specified ranges.

The desired investment objective is a long-term rate of return on assets that is approximately 7.5%. The target rate of return for the plan has been based upon the assumption that future real returns will approximate the long-term rates of return experienced for each asset class of the Investment Policy Statement over a complete business cycle. The plan's overall annualized total return after deducting advisory, money management and custodial fees, as well as total transaction costs should perform above an index comprised of market indices weighted by the strategic asset allocation of the plan.

In order to accomplish the investment goals, the Investment Committee believes that the investments of the Fund must be diversified to provide the Investment Manager with the flexibility to invest in various types of assets. The Investment Committee recognizes that a moderate amount of risk must be assumed to achieve the Plan's long term objectives. The Investment Committee believes that the Company's prospects for the future, current financial conditions, and several other factors suggest collectively that the plan can tolerate some interim fluctuations in market value and rates of return in order to achieve long-term objectives.

Contributions

The Company expects to contribute \$432,792 to its Pension Plan in 2005. The Post Retirement Benefit Plan is not funded.

Estimated Future Benefit Payments

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid:

| | Pension | Other |
|--|---------|-------|
|--|---------|-------|

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| | <u>Benefits</u> | <u>Benefits</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | |
| 2005 | \$510,776 | \$53,361 |
| 2006 | 600,893 | 64,655 |
| 2007 | 710,575 | 74,700 |
| 2008 | 693,463 | 75,078 |
| 2009 | 676,385 | 75,165 |
| Years 2010 - 2014 | 3,501,552 | 416,212 |

Assumed health care cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for health care plans. A one-percentage-point change in assumed health care cost trend rates would have the following effect:

| | | | 1 - Percentage- | 1 - Percentage- |
|--|--|----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | Point Increase | Point Decrease |
| Effect on total of service and interest cost | | \$4,275 | (\$3,755) | |
| Effect on postretirement benefit obligation | | \$47,033 | (\$41,297) | |

CORNING NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

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Item 2 - Management's Discussion & Analysis

As the Company's business is seasonal, the interim results should not be used as an indication of what results of the fiscal year 2005 may be.

Consolidated revenue of \$6,581,000 for the quarter increased \$108,800 compared to the same quarter last year due primarily to increased local production revenue in the utility operations.

Consolidated net income for the quarter was \$191,200 compared to a loss of \$41,800 in the same quarter the previous year. Net income of \$146,900 was experienced in the utility operations compared to a loss of \$3,000 last year. The increase is due to increased local production revenue, as well as incentive revenue discussed below. Corning Realty experienced earnings of \$71,500 for the quarter compared to earnings of \$46,900 for the same quarter last year as the result of reduced advertising, occupancy and commission expenses. Tax Center International experienced a loss of \$28,300 compared to earnings of \$22,900 last year. In October 2004, the Company discontinued operations of Tax Center International. Corning Mortgage experienced a loss of \$5,000 compared to earnings of \$5,800 last year.

The former Appliance segment experienced net income of \$6,100 versus a loss of \$136,500 last year. The assets of the Appliance Corporation were sold and operations discontinued in September 2003, but in the first quarter of last year that segment still incurred expense allocations that were established in the Company's last rate case. Those allocations are currently being deferred, as discussed below.

On March 12, 2004, the Company filed with the PSC a petition to amend the Joint Proposal approved in its last rate case. Among the matters highlighted in the Petition as requiring review and modification were: (a) the allocation of costs between utility and non-utility business functions to reflect the sale of the Company's Appliance business; (b) restrictions on the Company's ability to record as current income the \$174,124 annual additional revenues for improving its equity ratio; (c) the treatment of the costs of Pensions and Other Post-Retirement Benefits (OPEBs) for prior periods; and (d) the computation of costs pertaining to natural gas stored underground. On July 23, 2004, the Company reached a settlement (Joint Proposal) with the staff of the Public Service Commission. The Joint Proposal represents a negotiated resolution of the issues, and was approved by the Public Service Commission on September 1, 2004. The Joint Proposal provides for the release of \$174,124 of annual incentive revenue. The Joint Proposal also provides for the filing of a deferral petition for the allocation costs resulting from the sale of the Appliance business. Hence, these costs have been deferred on the balance sheet, and subject to future PSC review for recovery through utility rates.

The Company finances its capital additions, as well as gas purchased, through a combination of internally generated funds and short-term borrowing. For all operations, the Company has \$7,750,000 available through lines of credit at local banks, the terms of which are disclosed in the Company's latest annual report on form 10-KSB. It is expected that, on a consolidated basis, current capital resources will continue to be sufficient for the Companys operations over the next twelve months. As described in the Company's Petition to the PSC, however, the sufficiency of cash flow for regulated operations continues to be dependent upon resources from the Company's unregulated operations.

Segment Overview

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The following table reflects year to date results of the segments consistent with the Company's internal financial reporting process. The following results are used in part, by management, both in evaluating the performance of, and in allocating resources to, each of these segments.

| | | Gas Company | (2) Appliance Corporation | (3) Tax Center | Corning <u>Realty</u> | (4) Foodmart <u>Plaza</u> | Corning Mortgage | Consolidated |
|---------------|----------|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Revenue:(1) |) | | | | | | | |
| 2004 | | \$5,485,152 | \$15,572 | \$20,185 | \$1,061,090 | | (\$744) | \$6,581,255 |
| 2003 | | 5,036,873 | 14,026 | 135,137 | 1,199,267 | 75,550 | 11,545 | 6,472,398 |
| Net income | (loss):(| 1) | | | | | | |
| 2004 | | 146,876 | 6,138 | (28,308) | 71,518 | | (5,017) | 191,207 |
| 2003 | | (2,958) | (136,512) | 22,941 | 46,920 | 22,034 | 5,792 | (41,783) |
| Interest inco | ome:(1) | | | | | | | |
| 2004 | | 6,060 | 40,145 | 2,971 | | | | 49,176 |
| 2003 | | 30,747 | 24,067 | 3,040 | | | | 57,854 |
| Interest expe | ense:(1) | | | | | | | |

| 2004 | 324,517 | 3,311 | | 15,372 | | 1,906 | 345,106 |
|--------------|----------------------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|------------|
| 2003 | 294,811 | 4,510 | | 28,086 | 14,700 | 1,886 | 343,993 |
| Total assets | s: | | | | | | |
| 2004 | 27,601,186 | 974,487 | 131,689 | 1,635,750 | | 195,273 | 30,538,385 |
| 2003 | 28,087,930 | 929,845 | 284,774 | 1,593,698 | 1,130,549 | 198,077 | 32,224,873 |
| Depreciation | on and amortization: | | | | | | |
| 2004 | 133,414 | 900 | 4,274 | 17,251 | | | 155,839 |
| 2003 | 132,736 | 900 | 3,982 | 16,340 | 7,966 | | 161,924 |
| Federal inc | come tax expense: | | | | | | |
| 2004 | 81,855 | 3,162 | (14,583) | 40,414 | | (2,585) | 108,263 |
| 2003 | 34,098 | 8,803 | 11,818 | 24,170 | (11,351) | 2,984 | 70,522 |

- (1) Before elimination of intercompany interest.
- (2) The Appliance Co. discontinued operations in September 2003.
- (3) Tax Center International discontinued operations in October 2004.
- (4) Foodmart discontinued operations in July 2004.

Interest income and expense have been displayed in the segment in which it has been earned or incurred. Segment interest expense other than the Gas Company is included within unregulated expenses in the consolidated statements of income

There were no sales of unregistered securities (debt of equity) during the quarter ended December 31, 2004.

Item 3 - Controls and Procedures

- a. Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures. As of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report Form 10-QSB the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Rules 13a-15). Based upon that evaluation, or Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of the Evaluation Date, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that material information relating to us and our consolidated subsidiaries is recorded, processed, summarized and reported in a timely manner.
- b. <u>Changes in Internal Controls</u>. There have been no changes in our internal controls over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Part II - Other Information

Item 6 - Exhibits

The following documents are filed as exhibits to this Report:

- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C. Section 1350

SIGNATURES

| In accordance with the requirements of the Exchange | Act, the registrant caused this | report to be signed on its | behalf by the |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| undersigned, thereunto duly authorized. | | | |

Date:

Thomas K. Barry

Thomas K. Barry, Chairman of the Board, President and CEO.

Date:

February 14, 2005

Kenneth J. Robinson

Kenneth J. Robinson, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Corning Natural Gas Corporation Certification under Section 906 of the Sarbanes/Oxley Act - filed as part of the 10-QSB for Quarter Ended December 31, 2004.

CERTIFICATION

Each of the undersigned hereby certifies in his capacity as an officer of Corning Natural Gas Corporation (the "Company") that the Quarterly Report of the Company on Form 10-QSB for the period ended Decemeber 31, 2004 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and that the information contained in such report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition of the Company at the end of such period and the results of operations of the Company for such period.

| Thomas K. Barry |
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| Thomas K. Barry, Chairman of the Board, |
| Chief Executive Officer |
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| Kenneth J. Robinson |
| Kenneth J. Robinson, Executive Vice President, |
| Chief Financial Officer |

Dated: February 14th 2005

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, Thomas K. Barry, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-QSB of Corning Natural Gas Corporation,
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) for the registrant and we have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
 - b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by the report.
 - c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the end of the period covered by the report.
 - 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors:
 - a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
 - 6. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses

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Thomas K. Barry, Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer

February 14th 2005

- I, Kenneth J. Robinson, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-QSB of Corning Natural Gas Corporation,
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) for the registrant and we have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this quarterly report is being prepared;
 - b) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by the report.
 - c) presented in this quarterly report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures based on our evaluation as of the end of the period covered by the report.
 - 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors:
 - a) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for the registrant's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal controls; and
 - 6. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have indicated in this quarterly report whether or not there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our most recent evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

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