#### CELLINO ANNA MARIE

Form 4

February 24, 2012

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CELLINO ANNA MARIE			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO [NFG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
6363 MAIN STREET			02/22/2012	X Officer (give title Other (special below) below)  President - NFG Dist. Corp.			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/22/2012		M		13,765	A	\$ 24.495	167,643	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2012		F		2,469 (1)	D	\$ 48.755	165,174	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2012		J	V	295 (2)	A	\$ 0	24,683	I	401k Trust
Common Stock	02/22/2012		J	V	2 (3)	A	\$ 0	1,078	I	ESOP Trust

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)			Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) (A) ed of		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 24.495	02/22/2012		M		12,753	03/14/2003	03/15/2012	Common Stock	12,753
Employee Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 24.495	02/22/2012		M		1,012	03/14/2005	03/15/2012	Common Stock	1,012

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Kelationships	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Deletionship

CELLINO ANNA MARIE 6363 MAIN STREET WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221

President - NFG Dist. Corp.

## **Signatures**

James R. Peterson, Attorney in Fact 02/24/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Da

# **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) On February 22, 2012, the reporting person exercised 13,765 stock options and had 2,469 shares of common stock of the Company withheld and cancelled to cover minimum required tax withholding. These share cancellations are shown on Table I as dispositions

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(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.

- (2) Routine acquisition under the NFG 401(k) Plan Trust, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c), a non-reportable transaction.
- (3) Routine acquisition under the NFG ESOP Plan Trust, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c), a non-reportable transaction.

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