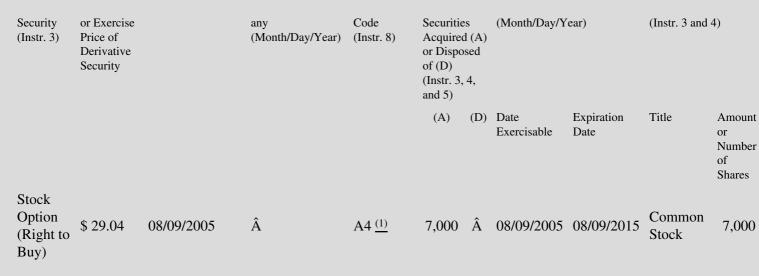
AIRGAS INC

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FORM 5 UNITED STATES SECU			URITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION			OMB Number:	3235-0362	
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> ILL RICHARD C		Symbol		cker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)		ement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended h/Day/Year)		(Chec X_ Director Officer (give		le) % Owner her (specify	
	AS, INC., 259 I -CHESTER ROA	N.			below)	below)		
	(Street)		Amendment, Date Original Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)			
RADNOR	, PA 19087				_X_ Form Filed by Form Filed by I Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-De	erivative Securities Ad	cquired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	Beneficially (Owned at end 1 of Issuer's (Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative Expiration Date

Underlying Securities

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
F B	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
ILL RICHARD C C/O AIRGAS, INC. 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD, STE. 100 RADNOR, PA 19087	ÂX	Â	Â	Â	
Signatures					
Dean A. Bertolino, Attorney-In-Fact for Richard C. Ill	05/11/2006				
**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).
- On August 9, 2005, the issuer granted the reporting person 7,000 stock options to purchase the common stock of the issuer in connection (1)with the issuer's annual grant of stock options to its directors.
- (2) Not applicable.

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