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1. Name and A CIPRICH PA	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO [NFG]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	iddle) 3. Date of	Earliest Tra	nsaction		(,	
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(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock						18,941	D		
Common	11/27/2000		I W	560 (1)	۸ \$ ۵	6 228	ī	401k Truct	

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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401k Trust

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu (A) o Disp (D)	or or osed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 29.88	11/25/2009		J		4,167	(2)	02/20/2018	Common Stock	4,167

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CIPRICH PAULA M 6363 MAIN STREET BUFFALO, NY 14221

Secretary/Gen Counsel. NFG Co.

Signatures

James R. Peterson, Attorney in Fact

11/30/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) Routine acquisition under the NFG 401(k) Plan Trust, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c), a non-reportable transaction.
- (2) Stock Settled SARs were forfeited because a 2009 corporate earnings performance condition was not satisfied.

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