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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Carlotti Carl M			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) 6363 MAII	(First) N STREET	(Me	Date of Earliest 7 onth/Day/Year) /28/2009	Fransaction			Director _X_ Officer (give t	10%	Owner or (specify	
	(Street)		f Amendment, I ed(Month/Day/Ye	_	al	6. A	Senior Individual or Joi pplicable Line)	Vice Presiden nt/Group Filin	g(Check	
BUFFALC), NY 14221				_	X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-	-Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of		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	12/28/2009		M	25,000	A	\$ 21.3281	39,572	D		
Common Stock	12/28/2009		F	14,126	D	\$ 51.465	25,446	D		
Common Stock	12/28/2009		J	23 (1)	A	\$ 0	9,240	I	401(k) Trust	
Common Stock							106	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)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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)	\$ 21.3281	12/28/2009		M		20,312	02/17/2001	02/18/2010	Common Stock	20,312
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.3281	12/28/2009		M		4,688	02/17/2001	02/17/2010	Common Stock	4,688

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Hame / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Carlotti Carl M

6363 MAIN STREET Senior Vice President

BUFFALO, NY 14221

Signatures

James R. Peterson , Attorney in Fact 12/30/2009

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

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