NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO

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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Cabell Matthew D | | | 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) | | |
| 1201 LOUISIANA STREET, SUITE 400 (Street) | | ET, SUITE | (Month/Day/Year) 05/13/2014 | Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) President-Seneca Resources | | |
| | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| HOUSTON, TX 77002 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - No | on-I | Derivative | Secur | ities Acqui | red, Disposed of, | or Beneficial | ly 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. Securit onor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4 | 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 | 05/13/2014 | | M | v | | A | | 106,422 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/13/2014 | | D | | 10,044 (1) | D | \$ 74.375 | 96,378 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/13/2014 | | F | | 6,274 (1) | D | \$ 74.375 | 90,104 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/13/2014 | | J | V | 101 (2) | A | \$0 | 1,933 | I | 401k 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. Transacti 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 | Amour or Number of Shar |
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 29.88 | 05/13/2014 | | M | 25,000 | (3) | 12/22/2018 | Common Stock | 25,00 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Cabell Matthew D 1201 LOUISIANA STREET SUITE 400 HOUSTON, TX 77002

President-Seneca Resources

Signatures

James R. Peterson, Attorney in Fact 05/14/2014

**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 May 13, 2014, the reporting person exercised a stock appreciation right with respect to 25,000 shares of Common Stock of the Company. In connection with this exercise, the reporting person was deemed to have sold back to the Company shares of Common Stock of the Company having a value equal to the exercise price of the stock appreciation right. This deemed sale of 10,044 shares is shown on
- (1) Table I as a disposition (Transaction Code "D" in column 4), although none of these shares were sold into the open market, as indicated by Transaction Code "D" in column 3. Additionally, the reporting person had 6,274 shares of Common Stock of the Company withheld and cancelled to cover minimum tax withholding. This share cancellation is shown on Table I as a disposition (Transaction Code "D" in column 4), although none of these shares were sold into the open 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) The stock appreciation right became exercisable as follows: 20,000 on December 22, 2009 and 5,000 on December 22, 2010.

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