

NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**ACKERMAN PHILIP C**

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) (Middle)  
**6363 MAIN STREET**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/27/2008**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	04/09/2008		G	V 1,100 (1) D \$ 0	500,681	D	
Common Stock	05/27/2008		M	4,082 A \$ 24.495	504,763	D	
Common Stock					76,250	I	By Trust
Common Stock	05/27/2008		J	V 137 (2) A \$ 0	17,452	I	401k Trust
Common Stock	05/27/2008		J	V 72 (3) A \$ 0	21,878	I	ESOP Trust
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- (1) Represents transfer of shares to American Chestnut Foundation, bona-fide gift.
- (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 Trust, exempt under Rule 16b-3(c), a non-reportable transaction.

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