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1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Cabell Matthew D Issuer Symbol NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO [NFG] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1201 LOUISIANA STREET, SUITE 12/19/2012 below) below) 400 President-Seneca Resources (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77002 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4)

84,283 D

Common Stock 12/19/2012 J V 345 (1) A \$ 0 1,505 I 401k Trust

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

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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. Transa Code (Instr.		5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securitie
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 53.045	12/19/2012		A		33,463		(2)	12/19/2022	Common Stock	33,46

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Cabell Matthew D

1201 LOUISIANA STREET

SUITE 400

HOUSTON, TX 77002

President-Seneca Resources

Signatures

James R. Peterson, Attorney 12/21/2012 in Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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.
- The stock appreciation right becomes exercisable in three approximately equal annual installments as follows: 11,154 on December 19, 2013; 11,154 on December 19, 2014; and 11,155 on December 19, 2015.

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