

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO
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FORM 4

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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 *
FELTZ STEPHEN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO [NWN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
220 NW SECOND AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/16/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Treasurer and Controller

PORTLAND, OR 97209-3991

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)	(A) or (D)	5. Amount or Price	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value	02/16/2005		M	1,000	A	\$ 20.25	3,948	D
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value	02/16/2005		M	1,500	A	\$ 20.92	5,448	D
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value	02/16/2005		S	100	D	\$ 36.79	5,348	D

Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value	02/16/2005	S	1,900	D	\$ 36.69	3,448	D	
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value						69.153	I	See footnote <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value						2.153	I	See footnote <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value						2,089.6765	I	See footnote <u>(3)</u>

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 Derivative 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Buy	\$ 20.25	02/16/2005		M	1,000	<u>(4)</u> 03/02/2010	Common Stock	1,000
Option to Buy	\$ 20.92	02/16/2005		M	1,500	02/21/1997 02/28/2006	Common Stock	1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FELTZ STEPHEN P
220 NW SECOND AVENUE
PORTLAND, OR 97209-3991

Treasurer and Controller

Signatures

C.J. Rue,
Attorney-in-Fact 02/18/2005

__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) Held by reporting person as custodian under the Oregon Uniform Transfers to Minors Act for Grant M. Feltz.
- (2) Held by reporting person as custodian under the Oregon Uniform Transfers to Minors Act for Callista E. Feltz
- (3) Held in reporting person's account under issuer's Retirement K Savings Plan as of 1/31/2005.

On 2/23/2000, option was granted for 5,000 shares pursuant to the Northwest Natural Gas Company 1985 Stock Option Plan (now the Restated Stock Option Plan). Option on 1,700 shares became exercisable on 2/23/2001, option on 1,700 shares became exercisable on 1/1/2002 and option on 1,600 shares became exercisable on 1/1/2003.

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