NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO
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April 30, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 25, 20

NATIONAL FUEL GAS COMPANY
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey	1-3880	13-1086010
(State or other jurisdiction incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer No.)

10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York	14203
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (716) 857-6

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On April 25, 2002, National Fuel Gas Company (the "Company") issued a press release rega ended March 31, 2002. On April 26, 2002, the Company issued a press release regarding its projec ending September 30, 2003 and the projected oil and gas production of its subsidiary, Seneca Reso press releases are hereby incorporated by reference and filed as part of this Current Report as E respectively.

Neither the filing of either press release as an exhibit to this Current Report nor the of a reference to the Company's internet address shall, under any circumstances, be deemed to inc at such internet address into this Current Report. The information available at the Company's in Current Report or any other report filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commissi

Certain statements contained herein and incorporated by reference from the press release earnings projections, are "forward-looking statements" as defined by the Private Securities Litig no assurance that the Company's projections will in fact be achieved nor do these projections ref divestitures that may occur during fiscal 2002 or 2003. While the Company's expectations, beliefs good faith and are believed to have a reasonable basis, actual results may differ materially from statement. Furthermore, each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is obligation to update the statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which it of unanticipated events. In addition to other factors, the following are important factors that c materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements: changes in economic conditions caused by terrorist activities, demographic patterns or weather conditions; changes in the availa and oil; inability to obtain new customers or retain existing ones; significant changes in compet Company; governmental/regulatory actions, initiatives and proceedings, including those affecting rates of return, industry and rate structure, franchise renewal, and environmental/safety require restructuring initiatives in the natural gas and electric industries; significant changes from ex expenditures and operating expenses and unanticipated project delays or changes in project costs; profitability of pending and potential projects and other investments; occurrences affecting the from operations, debt or equity to finance needed capital expenditures and other investments; unc estimates; ability to successfully identify and finance oil and gas property acquisitions and abi existing and any subsequently acquired business or properties; ability to successfully identify,

viable natural gas and oil reserves; significant changes from expectations in the Company's actua
or oil; changes in the availability and/or price of derivative financial instruments; changes in
the related effect given the accounting treatment or valuation of related derivative financial in
counterparties to meet their obligations with respect to the Company's financial instruments; reg
in foreign trade and monetary policies, laws, and regulations related to foreign operations, poli
inflation and exchange rates, taxes and operating conditions; significant changes in tax rates or
or interest; significant changes in the Company's relationship with its employees and contractors
if labor disputes, grievances or shortages were to occur; or changes in accounting principles or
to the Company. The Company disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements to
after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99(a) - Press Release issued April 25, 2002

Exhibit 99(b) - Press Release issued April 26, 2002

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has
on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

NATIONAL FUEL GAS COMPANY

By: /s/ James R. Peterson

James R. Peterson
Assistant Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
99(a)	Press Release issued April 25, 2002
99(b)	Press Release issued April 26, 2002