### NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO

Form 4

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CIPRICH PAULA M			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)			
6363 MAIN	STREET	(Month/D 12/17/20		Day/Year)				Director 10% Owner Str VP, Gen Counsel & Sec			
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution		3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	12/17/2016			M	1,105	A	<u>(1)</u>	70,185	D		
Common Stock	12/17/2016			F	409 (2)	D	\$ 57.93	69,776	D		
Common								9,480 <u>(3)</u>	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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	12/17/2016		M	1,105	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,105	9

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CIPRICH PAULA M Sr VP, Gen 6363 MAIN STREET Counsel & WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221 Sec

## **Signatures**

James P. Baetzhold, Attorney in Fact 12/20/2016

\*\*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) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- On December 17, 2016, the reporting person had 409 shares withheld and cancelled to cover minimum required tax withholdings due to (2) the vesting of restricted stock units. These share cancellations are shown on Table I as dispositions (Transaction Code "D" in Column 4), although none of these cancelled shares were sold into the market, as indicated by Transaction Code "F" in Column 3.
- The NFG stock fund under the NFG 401(k) plan is denominated in units, representing ownership interests in a fund that includes both NFG common stock and a reserve of cash. The information reported represents the dollar value of the reporting person's balance in the NFG stock fund as of December 15, 2016, as reported by the plan administrator, divided by the closing price of NFG common stock on that date.
- On December 17, 2015, the reporting person was granted 3,316 restricted stock units, vesting as follows: 1,105 on December 17, 2016, 1,105 on December 17, 2017, and 1,106 on December 17, 2018.

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