**AIRGAS INC** Form 4 May 15, 2008

### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* VISINTAINER PATRICK M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AIRGAS INC [ARG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/13/2008

C/O AIRGAS, INC., 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER RD, STE. 100

(First)

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_X\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President, Sales

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

RADNOR, PA 19087

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ally 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 fransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) dode (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/13/2008		M	1,250	A	\$ 11.5	5,472 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2008		M	4,000	A	\$ 16.52	9,472 (1)	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S	1,250	D	\$ 59.01	8,222 (1)	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S	4,000	D	\$ 59.01	4,222 (1)	D	
Common Stock							555 (2)	I	By 401(k) plan

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Common Stock $100 \ \underline{^{(3)}} \qquad \qquad I$ Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.	By immediate family

# $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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1. Title o Derivativ Security (Instr. 3)		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right t Buy)	s 11.5	05/13/2008		M	1,250	<u>(4)</u>	05/18/2009	Common Stock	1,250
Stock Option (Right t Buy)	\$ 16.52	05/13/2008		M	4,000	<u>(6)</u>	05/06/2012	Common Stock	4,000

## **Reporting Owners**

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reposing o macrimus radias	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
VISINTAINER PATRICK M C/O AIRGAS, INC. 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER RD, STE. 100 RADNOR, PA 19087	X		Senior Vice President, Sales			
Signatures						
Robert H. Young, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact for Patrick	M.	05/14	/2008			

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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### **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).
- Includes 4,222 shares of Airgas, Inc. common stock acquired pursuant to Airgas, Inc.'s Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP") as of 5/14/2008, the date of the latest available statement of the reporting person's ESPP holdings. Since 12/6/2007, the date of the statement **(1)** for the amount reported on the reporting person's Form 4 filed 12/7/2007, a total of 54 ESPP shares have been acquired in transactions exempt under Section 16(b).
- This information presented is as of 5/14/08, the date of the latest available statement of the reporting person's holdings of Airgas, Inc.
- (2) common stock in his 401(k) plan. Since 12/6/2007, the date of the statement for the amount reported on the reporting person's Form 4 filed 12/7/2007, a total of 2 shares have been acquired in the 401(k) plan in transactions exempt under Section 16(b).
  - These shares are owned by a parent of the reporting person who does not live in the same household as the reporting person. The
- (3) reporting person disclaims beneficial onwership of the securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (4) These options became exercisable in 25% equal increments on each of 5/18/2000, 5/18/2001, 5/18/2002 and 5/18/2003.
- (5) Not applicable.
- (6) These options became exercisable in 25% equal increments on each of 5/6/2003, 5/6/2004, 5/6/2005 and 5/6/2006.

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