## Edgar Filing: SNEED PAULA A - Form 4

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| July 03, 2012   |   |                                |   |                      |                       |   | OMI  | B APPROVAL   |                     |  |
| FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION                   |   |                                |   |                      |                       |   | OND  | 3235-0287  |                     |  |
| Check thi<br>if no long<br>subject to<br>Section 1<br>Form 4 or<br>Form 5 | 6.<br>Filed pur                         |                                | SECUR   | BENEFIC<br>RITIES    | IAL OV                | <b>VNERSHIP OF</b>  | Estimat  | r:<br>January 31,<br>2005<br>ed average<br>hours per |                     |  |
| obligation<br>may conti<br><i>See</i> Instru<br>1(b).                     | inue. Section 17(                       |                                | blic Utility Hol<br>the Investment  | <b>U</b> 1           | •                     | of 1935 or Sectio<br>940  | on   |  |                     |  |
| (Print or Type R  | Responses)                              |                                |   |                      |                       |   |  |  |                     |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u><br>SNEED PAULA A         |   |                                | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>AIRGAS INC [ARG] |                      |                       | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  |  |  |                     |  |
| (Last)  | (Last) (First) (Middle)                 |                                |   | ransaction           |                       | (Check all applicable)  |  |  |                     |  |
| C/O AIRGA   | AS, INC., 259 N.<br>CHESTER ROA         | (N<br>00                       | 5/29/2012   | ansaction            |                       | X Director<br>Officer (giv<br>below)  | e title<br>below   | 10% Owner<br>Other (specify<br>)                     |                     |  |
| (Street)  |   |                                | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                      |                      |                       | <ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check</li> <li>Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li> Form filed by More than One Reporting</li> </ul> |  |  |                     |  |
| RADNOR, I   | PA 19087                                |                                |   |                      |                       | Person  |  | ie Reporting   |                     |  |
| (City)  | (State)                                 | (Zip)                          | Table I - Non-I   | Derivative Sec       | curities A            | cquired, Disposed o   | of, or Benef   | icially Owned  |                     |  |
|   | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Execution Da<br>any            | 3.<br>te, if Transactio<br>Code<br>Year) (Instr. 8)<br>Code V             | (A<br>ol             | (D)<br>(d 5)<br>()    | Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned   | 6. Ownershi<br>Form: Direc<br>(D) or Indire<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | *  |                     |  |
| Reminder: Rep   | ort on a separate line                  | e for each class               | of securities benef   | ficially owned       | directly o            | r indirectly.   |  |  |                     |  |
|   |   |                                |   | informat<br>required | ion conta<br>to respo | pond to the colle<br>ained in this form<br>nd unless the for<br>tly valid OMB co  | are not<br>rm  | SEC 1474<br>(9-02)                                   |                     |  |
|   | Tab                                     |                                | ive Securities Acq<br>ts, calls, warrants                                 |                      |                       | Beneficially Owned<br>ecurities)  | l  |  |                     |  |
| 1. Title of2DerivativeC   |   | saction Date 3<br>/Day/Year) H | A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if   | 4. 5<br>Transaction  | . Number<br>f         | 6. Date Exercisab<br>Expiration Date  |  | Title and Amount of<br>iderlying Securities          | 8. Price<br>Derivat |  |

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| Security<br>(Instr. 3) | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | •      | Code<br>(Instr. 8) |      |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   |       | (Instr. 3 and 4)                       |      | Security<br>(Instr. 5 |
|------------------------|---|------------------|--------|--------------------|------|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|------|-----------------------|
|                        |   |                  | Code V | (A)                | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |      |                       |
| Phantom<br>Stock (1)   | <u>(2)</u>  | 06/29/2012       |        | А                  | 10.1 |                     | (3)                | (3)   | Common<br>Stock                        | 10.1 | \$ 84.0               |

## **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>   | Relationships |            |         |       |  |  |
|---|---------------|------------|---------|-------|--|--|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner  | Officer | Other |  |  |
| SNEED PAULA A<br>C/O AIRGAS, INC.<br>259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD, STE. 100<br>RADNOR, PA 19087 | Х             |            |         |       |  |  |
| Signatures  |               |            |         |       |  |  |
| Robert H. Young, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact for Paula A<br>Sneed                                   | 4.            | 07/03/2012 |         |       |  |  |
| **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) Acquired pursuant to Airgas, Inc.'s deferred compensation plan as a result of the reinvestment under the plan of dividends declared and paid with respect to shares of Airgas, Inc. common stock underlying the phantom stock.
- (2) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive the cash value of one share of Airgas, Inc. common stock.
- Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following the reporting person's termination of service as a director with Airgas, Inc. or as(3) determined by the reporting person in accordance with the terms and conditions of the plan. The reporting person may transfer her phantom stock account into an alternative investment account under the plan at any time.
- (4) Determined based on the dollar value of the reporting person's deferred compensation plan account and the closing price per share of Airgas, Inc. common stock on the date of the transaction.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.