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FORM 4	UNITED	STATES	SECU	RITIES A	AND EX	CHANGE	COMMISSIO		PPROVAL		
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549							Number:	3235-0287			
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(Print or Type Respo	nses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> CLANCEY JOHN P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AIRGAS INC [ARG]			Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First) (Middle)		of Earliest T	-		(Che	eck all applicabl	e)		
C/O AIRGAS, II RADNOR-CHE 100	NC., 259 N.			Day/Year)			X Director Officer (giv below)		% Owner her (specify		
(Street) 4. If Amendmen Filed(Month/Day, RADNOR, PA 19087					ay/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by (y One Reporting P	Dint/Group Filing(Check One Reporting Person More than One Reporting		
(City) ((State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
	ansaction Date hth/Day/Year)	Execution any	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) Code V	Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or 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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Reminder: Report or	n a separate lind	e for each cl	ass of sec	urities bene	Perso inforr requi	ns who res nation cont red to respo ays a curre	or indirectly. spond to the colle ained in this forn ond unless the fo ntly valid OMB co	n are not rm	SEC 1474 (9-02)		
	Tab					posed of, or convertible s	Beneficially Owner securities)	d			
1. Title of 2.	3. Trans	saction Date	e 3A. Dee	emed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercis	able and 7	. Title and Amount of 8.		

Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative Expiration Date

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	y/Year) Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ed ed of	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Sec (In:
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 82.74	08/14/2012		A	4,600		<u>(1)</u>	08/14/2020	Common Stock	4,600	
Reporting Owners											
Reporting Owner Name / Address			Direc	Relationships Director 10% Owner Officer Other							
CLANCEY JOHN P C/O AIRGAS, INC. 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD, STE. 100 RADNOR, PA 19087			TE. 100 X								

Signatures

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) These options became exercisable on the date of grant.
- (2) Not applicable.

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