

NATCO GROUP INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SMITH C FRANK

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NATCO GROUP INC., 2950
NORTH LOOP WEST, SUITE 700

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77092

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NATCO GROUP INC [NTG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/02/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common stock	09/01/2005		M	21,225 A \$ 6.27	41,409 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common stock	09/01/2005		S	13,800 D \$ 21.5	27,609	D	
Common stock	09/01/2005		S	3,000 D \$ 22	24,609	D	
Common stock	09/01/2005		S	1,300 D \$ 22.25	23,309	D	
Common stock	09/01/2005		S	1,000 D \$ 21.51	22,309	D	

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Common stock	09/01/2005	S	725	D	\$ 22.42	21,584	D
Common stock	09/01/2005	S	700	D	\$ 22.35	20,884	D
Common stock	09/01/2005	S	500	D	\$ 22.3	20,384	D
Common stock	09/01/2005	S	200	D	\$ 21.52	20,184	D

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)				
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 6.27	09/01/2005		M	21,225	12/07/2002 ⁽²⁾ 12/07/2010	Common stock	21,225	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH C FRANK C/O NATCO GROUP INC. 2950 NORTH LOOP WEST, SUITE 700 HOUSTON, TX 77092			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

Charles Frank
Smith 09/02/2005

__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) Direct ownership includes an aggregate of 5,590 shares purchased through a participant-directed defined contribution employee benefit plan and 11,040 shares of restricted stock subject to performance-based restrictions.
- (2) Options vested in one-quarter increments on the first through fourth anniversaries of the date of grant. Date exercisable given is the date of the first such anniversary for such option. The number indicated represents all currently vested options in this grant.

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