

AIRGAS INC
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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 *
MCCAUSLAND PETER

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AIRGAS INC [ARG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/20/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman of the Board and CEO

C/O AIRGAS, INC., 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD, SUITE 100

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

RADNOR, PA 19087

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	09/20/2005		S		1,000,000	D	\$ 27.5
Common Stock							7,254,466 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock							1,500 ⁽²⁾
Common Stock							41,819 ⁽³⁾
Common Stock	04/20/2005		J		307,340 ⁽⁴⁾	D	⁽⁵⁾ 0 ⁽⁴⁾

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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)

Table with columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MCCAUSLAND PETER C/O AIRGAS, INC. 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD, SUITE 100 RADNOR, PA 19087

X X Chairman of the Board and CEO

MCCAUSLAND BONNIE F C/O AIRGAS, INC. 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD, SUITE 100 RADNOR, PA 19087

X

Signatures

Dean A. Bertolino, Attorney-in-Fact for Peter McCausland

09/22/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Dean A. Bertolino, Attorney-in-Fact for Bonnie F. McCausland

09/22/2005

**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) Includes 15,700 shares owned directly by Peter McCausland and indirectly by Bonnie F. McCausland.
- (2) Represents 1,500 shares owned directly by Bonnie F. McCausland and indirectly by Peter McCausland.

The information presented is as of 9/13/2005, the date of the latest available statement of Peter McCausland's holdings of Airgas, Inc. common stock in his 401(k) plan. Since 4/8/2005, the date relied upon for the amount reported on Peter McCausland's May 18, 2005 Form 4, a total of 115 shares have been acquired in transactions exempt from Section 16(b) by Rule 16b-3(c).

- These shares of Airgas, Inc. common stock are held in trust for the benefit of the Reporting Persons' children, under which each child is a beneficiary of the trust. On or about April 20, 2005, Bonnie McCausland resigned as a trustee of the trust (and, as a result, as of and since such time, neither of the Reporting Persons has been a trustee of the trust), thereby eliminating each Reporting Person's power to vote, dispose of or direct the voting or disposition of the shares held in trust. Each of the Reporting Persons disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities and this report shall not be deemed to be an admission that either of them is the beneficial owner of such securities.
- (5) Not applicable.

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