NATIONAL FUEL GAS CO Form U-9C-3 November 28, 2001

United States
Securities and Exchange Commission

Washington, D.C. 20549

National Fuel Gas Company (Name of Registered Holding Company)

10 Lafayette Square Buffalo, New York 14203 (Name of Principal Executive Officer)

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Item 1 - Organization Chart

Name of Reporting Co.	Energy or Gas Related	Date of Organization	State of Organization	Percentage of Voting Securities Held
National Fuel Gas Company	Holding	1902	New Jersey	Holds all voting securities of the reporting companies except as indicated below.
Seneca Independence Pipeline Company	Gas	1996	Delaware	100%
Niagara Independence Marketing Company	Holding	1997	Delaware	100%
DirectLink Gas Marketing Company	Gas	1997	Delaware	33-1/3%
Upstate Energy Inc.	Gas	1997	New York	100%

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Roystone Gas Processing Gas 1994 Pennsylvania 50% Plant (general partnership)

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION:

Company

Issuing

National Fuel Gas Company is not a "reporting company" but is included in this Item 1 becaudirectly or indirectly, voting securities issued by reporting companies as indicated above.

During the quarter ended September 30, 2001, the reporting companies engaged in the followi

Seneca Independence Pipeline Company ("SIP") retained its 33 1/3% general partnership inter Independence Pipeline Company ("Independence"), pursuant to approval by the SEC under the P 70-9117, HCAR No. 35-26840). SIP's transactions this quarter are described in its financial Item 6.

Niagara Independence Marketing Company ("NIM") retained its 33 1/3% interest in DirectLink Company ("DirectLink"). NIM's and DirectLink's transactions this quarter are described in statements at Item 6.

Upstate Energy Inc. ("Upstate") engaged in gas marketing transactions this quarter.

Type of Principal Amount Issue or Cost of Person to

Roystone Gas Processing Plant engaged in processing natural gas and selling natural gas liquarter.

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ITEM 2 - ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES AND CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Stock	Issued	1		1	Was Issued	Security	Each
Seneca Independence Pipeline Company	Note	\$400,000	Issue*	N/A	National Fuel Gas Company	N/A	\$4
DirectLink Gas Marketing Company	no transac	ctions this quar	ter				
Niagara Independence Marketing Company	no transac	ctions this quar	ter				
Upstate Energy Inc.	Note	\$2,100,000 \$100,000 \$2,100,000 \$200,000	Issue** Issue** Issue** Issue**	N/A	National Fuel Gas Company	N/A	\$2,1 \$1 \$2,1 \$2

Roystone Gas $$\operatorname{\textsc{no}}$ no transactions this quarter Processing Plant

- * Represents an increase in the daily principal balance of borrowings from the National Fue System Money Pool as compared with balance from preceding day. For the quarter, the outs increased by \$200,000.
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System Money Pool as compared with the balance from the preceding day. For the quarter, balance decreased by \$3,600,000.

Company Contributing Company Receiving Amount of Capital Capital Contribution

No capital contributions this quarter

ITEM 3 -ASSOCIATE TRANSACTIONS

PART 1 - TRANSACTIONS PERFORMED BY REPORTING COMPANY ON BEHALF OF ASSOCIATE COMPANIES

Reporting Co. Rendering Services	Associate Co. Receiving Services	Types of Services Rendered	Direct Costs Charged	Indirect Costs Charged	Cost of Capital	Total Amount Billed
Roystone Gas Processing Plant	National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation	Natural gas processing	\$28,134*	-0-	-0-	\$28,134

^{*} Represents payments made by National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation to Roystone Gas Processing Plant ("Roystone") pursuant to a gas processing agreement.

PART 2 - TRANSACTIONS PERFORMED BY ASSOCIATE COMPANIES ON BEHALF OF REPORTING COMPANY

Associate Co. Rendering Services	Reporting Co. Receiving Services	Types of Services Rendered	Direct Costs Charged	Indirect Costs Charged	Cost of Capital	Total Amount Billed
National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation	Seneca Independence Pipeline Company	Managerial, financial, legal, and other similar services.	\$2,955	-0-	-0-	\$2 , 955
Seneca Resources Corporation	Upstate Energy Inc.	Managerial, financial and other similar services.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
National Fuel Resources, Inc.	Upstate Energy Inc.	Managerial services.	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

Upstate Energy Inc. also may have purchased regulated interstate natural gas transportation and storage services from its associate, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation ("Supply"), pursuant to Supply's FERC gas tariff, but such services are "exempted transactions" pursuant to Rule 81 under the Public Utility Holding Company Act (17 CFR Sec. 250.81).

ITEM 4 - SUMMARY OF AGGREGATE INVESTMENT

Investment in Energy-Related Companies:

Not applicable; all the Reporting Companies are gas-related companies.

Investments in Gas-Related Companies:

Confidential Treatment requested pursuant to Rule 104(b)

ITEM 5 - OTHER INVESTMENTS

Major Line of Energy- Other Investment in last Other Investment in This Reason For Differen Related Business U-9C-3 Report U-9C-3 Report in Other Investment

NONE

ITEM 6 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

A. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Balance Sheet for Seneca Independence Pipeline Company ("Seneca")	Confidential tr	reatment
Income Statement for Seneca	Confidential tr	reatment
Balance Sheet for Niagara Independence Marketing Company ("Niagara")	Confidential tr	reatment
Income Statement of Niagara	Confidential tr	reatment
Balance Sheet for DirectLink Gas Marketing Company ("DirectLink")	Confidential tr	reatment
Income Statement for DirectLink	Confidential tr	reatment
Balance Sheet for Upstate Energy Inc. ("Upstate")	Confidential tr	reatment
Income Statement for Upstate	Confidential tr	reatment
Balance Sheet for Roystone Gas Processing Plant ("Roystone")	Confidential tr	reatment
Income Statement for Roystone	Confidential tr	reatment

B. EXHIBITS:

- 1. Copies of contracts required to be provided by Item 3: NOT APPLICABLE
- 2. Certificate stating that a copy of the report for the previous quarter has been filed interested state commissions: EXHIBIT A

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, National has duly caused this report to be signed and authorized on its behalf by the undersigned.

Dated: November 28, 2001

NATIONAL FUEL GAS COMPANY

By /s/ James R. Peterson

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