

AIRGAS INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
VISINTAINER PATRICK M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AIRGAS, INC., 259 N.  
RADNOR-CHESTER RD, STE. 100

(Street)

RADNOR, PA 19087

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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

05/13/2008

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)

Senior Vice President, Sales

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/13/2008                           |  | M                              | 1,250 A \$ 11.5   | 5,472 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/13/2008                           |  | M                              | 4,000 A \$ 16.52  | 9,472 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/13/2008                           |  | S                              | 1,250 D \$ 59.01  | 8,222 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/13/2008                           |  | S                              | 4,000 D \$ 59.01  | 4,222 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 555 <sup>(2)</sup>  | I  | By 401(k) plan  |



## 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 4,222 shares of Airgas, Inc. common stock acquired pursuant to Airgas, Inc.'s Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP") as of 5/14/2008, the date of the latest available statement of the reporting person's ESPP holdings. Since 12/6/2007, the date of the statement for the amount reported on the reporting person's Form 4 filed 12/7/2007, a total of 54 ESPP shares have been acquired in transactions exempt under Section 16(b).

(2) This information presented is as of 5/14/08, the date of the latest available statement of the reporting person's holdings of Airgas, Inc. common stock in his 401(k) plan. Since 12/6/2007, the date of the statement for the amount reported on the reporting person's Form 4 filed 12/7/2007, a total of 2 shares have been acquired in the 401(k) plan in transactions exempt under Section 16(b).

(3) These shares are owned by a parent of the reporting person who does not live in the same household as the reporting person. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(4) These options became exercisable in 25% equal increments on each of 5/18/2000, 5/18/2001, 5/18/2002 and 5/18/2003.

(5) Not applicable.

(6) These options became exercisable in 25% equal increments on each of 5/6/2003, 5/6/2004, 5/6/2005 and 5/6/2006.

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