THOMAS LEE M Form 4 August 20, 2012

### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading THOMAS LEE M Issuer Symbol AIRGAS INC [ARG] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O AIRGAS, INC., 259 N. 08/16/2012 below) RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD, STE. 100 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting RADNOR, PA 19087

(,)	()	Table	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				Indirect (I)		
Common Stock	08/16/2012		Code V M	Amount 7,000	or (D)	Price \$ 29.04	(Instr. 3 and 4) 44,375	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2012		M	6,500	A	\$ 36.18	50,875	D	
Common	08/16/2012		M	6,500	A	\$ 46.63	57,375	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.04	08/16/2012		M	7,000	<u>(1)</u>	08/09/2015	Common Stock	7,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.18	08/16/2012		M	6,500	<u>(3)</u>	08/09/2014	Common Stock	6,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.63	08/16/2012		M	6,500	<u>(4)</u>	08/07/2015	Common Stock	6,500

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
THOMAS LEE M C/O AIRGAS, INC. 259 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD, STE. 100 RADNOR, PA 19087	X					

## **Signatures**

Robert H. Young, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact for Lee M.

Thomas 08/20/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- \* 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 fully exercisable on 8/09/2005.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) These options became fully exercisable on 8/09/2006.
- (4) These options became fully exercisable on 8/07/2007.

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