NATCO GROUP INC

Form 4 March 08, 2006

FORM 4

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

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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)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ELLIS KATHERINE P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NATCO GROUP INC [NTG]

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

03/07/2006

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

(First)

(Middle)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Senior VP & General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

HOUSTON, TX 77092

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common stock	03/07/2006		M	15,000	A	\$ 5.7	23,801 (1)	D	
Common stock	03/07/2006		S	800	D	\$ 24.65	23,001	D	
Common stock	03/07/2006		S	100	D	\$ 24.6	22,901	D	
Common stock	03/07/2006		S	1,300	D	\$ 24.5	21,601	D	
Common stock	03/08/2006		S	12,800	D	\$ 24.25	8,801	D	

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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)

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 of iorDerivative 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)	\$ 5.7	03/07/2006		M		15,000	(2)	03/23/2013	Common stock	40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ELLIS KATHERINE P C/O NATCO GROUP INC. 2950 NORTH LOOP WEST, SUITE 700 HOUSTON, TX 77092

Senior VP & General Counsel

Signatures

Katherine P. 03/08/2007 Ellis

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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 8,801 shares of restricted stock subject to performance-based restrictions.

Options vest in one-quarter increments on the first through fourth anniversaries of the date of grant. 10,000 of the options vested on 03/23/2004, and 5,000 of the options vested on 03/23/2005. An additional 25,000 options from this grant remain outstanding, of which 5.000 are currently vested.

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Reporting Owners 2

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