

FITZGERALD RICHARD W
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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 *
FITZGERALD RICHARD W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77092

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NATCO GROUP INC [NTG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/23/2006

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)

Former Senior VP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) Amount or (D) Price			
Common stock	08/23/2006		D ⁽¹⁾	14,040 D	\$ 0 55,872	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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 6.6	08/23/2006		D ⁽²⁾	V 16,666	⁽³⁾ 05/28/2013	Common stock	16,666
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 8.055	08/23/2006		D ⁽²⁾	V 6,903	⁽³⁾ 09/09/2014	Common stock	6,903
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 11.43	08/23/2006		D ⁽²⁾	V 4,808	⁽³⁾ 06/13/2015	Common stock	4,808
Stock Option - Right to Buy	\$ 37.785	08/23/2006		D ⁽²⁾	V 7,644	⁽³⁾ 06/22/2016	Common stock	7,644

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FITZGERALD RICHARD W C/O NATCO GROUP INC. 2950 NORTH LOOP WEST, SUITE 700 HOUSTON, TX 77092			Former Senior VP & CFO	

Signatures

Richard W. FitzGerald
08/25/2006
**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) Represents aggregate amount of restricted stock forfeited as a result of voluntary termination of employment on August 23, 2006.

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(2) Represents options canceled as a result of voluntary termination of employment on August 23, 2006.

Options were to vest in one-quarter increments on the first through fourth anniversaries of the date of grant in the case of the grant made

(3) 5/28/03, and in one-third increments on the first through third anniversaries of the date of grant for the grants made 9/9/04, 6/13/05 and 6/22/06. Options canceled represent the unvested portion of such grants.

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