SMITH C FRANK

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH C FRANK | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATCO GROUP INC [NTG] | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| (Last) C/O NATCO | (First) (NO GROUP INC., | Middle) 11210 | 3. Date of (Month/D 12/05/20 | • / | | | | (Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | | | | |
| EQUITY D | | 1 If Ame | ndment Da | te Origina | 1 | | Executive Vice President | | | | | | |
| HOUSTON | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ad | | | | | | rities Acq | equired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution any | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3, | ispose 4 and (A) or | d of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| Common stock | 12/05/2008 | | | I | 7,156 | A | \$ 13.54 | 7,156 | I | Shares held in 401k account | | | |
| Common | | | | | | | | 23,069 | D | | | | |

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, | | ate | Securi | unt of erlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code V | 4, and 5) (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH C FRANK C/O NATCO GROUP INC. 11210 EQUITY DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77041

Executive Vice President

Signatures

C. Frank Smith 12/09/2008

**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).

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