

NATCO GROUP 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 \*  
SMITH C FRANK

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NATCO GROUP INC., 11210 EQUITY DRIVE

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77041

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
07/09/2008

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)

Executive Vice President

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common stock - restricted stock <sup>(1)</sup>	07/09/2008		A		4,990	A	\$ 48.185
					23,069	(2)	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. 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	\$ 48.185	07/09/2008		A	11,160	(3) 07/09/2015	Common stock	11,160

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
SMITH C FRANK C/O NATCO GROUP INC. 11210 EQUITY DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77041	Director 10% Owner Officer  Executive Vice President

## Signatures

Charles Frank  
Smith  
07/09/2008

\*\*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).
- Restrictions on this grant of restricted stock lapse (a) as to all of the shares on July 9, 2011, provided that the recipient has continuously served as an employee from the date of the award until such date or, (b) if earlier, pursuant to the applicable incentive plan or upon
- (1) occurrence of a Corporate Change as defined in such plan, provided, in either case, that the recipient has been continuously employed by the Company or a subsidiary on such date or the date of such Corporate Change. The shares are subject to forfeiture upon termination of employment prior to the time the restrictions lapse.
  - (2) Direct ownership includes an aggregate of 10,395 shares of restricted stock subject to restrictions and risk of forfeiture, including the shares reported in this transaction.
  - (3) Stock options vest in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant, subject to continued employment by the Company or a subsidiary on the applicable date. The first third will vest on July 9, 2009.

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