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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): August 13, 2002

AIRGAS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-9344 56-0732648

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

259 North Radnor-Chester Road, Suite 100 Radnor, PA 19087-5283

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (610) 687-5253

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On August 13, 2002, Airgas, Inc. submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission the following sworn statements of its chief executive officer and chief financial officer pursuant to Order No. 4-460 issued under Section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF THE PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF AIRGAS, INC. REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS

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- I, Peter McCausland, state and attest that:
- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Airgas, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
 - o no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
 - o no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with Airgas, Inc.'s Audit Committee.
- (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
 - o Annual Report on Form 10-K of Airgas, Inc. filed with the Commission on June 25, 2002;
 - o all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Airgas, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
 - o any amendments to any of the foregoing.

/s/ Peter McCausland
Peter McCausland
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

August 13, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of August 2002

/s/ Judith A. Pellegrino Notary Public

My Commission Expires: March 9, 2004

STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF THE PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER OF AIRGAS, INC. REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS

- I, Roger F. Millay, state and attest that:
- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Airgas, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
 - o no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and

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- o no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with Airgas, Inc.'s Audit Committee.
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 - o all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Airgas, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
 - o any amendments to any of the foregoing.

/s/ Roger F. Millay
Roger F. Millay
Senior Vice President - Finance and
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

August 13, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of August 2002

/s/ Judith A. Pellegrino Notary Public

My Commission Expires: March 9, 2004

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AIRGAS, INC. (Registrant)

BY: /s/ Robert M. McLaughlin Robert M. McLaughlin Vice President and Controller

DATED: August 13, 2002