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

SCHEDULE 13D

(Amendment No. 13)*

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

NATIONAL FUEL GAS COMPANY

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$1 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

636180101

(CUSIP Number)

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August 25, 2010

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERS				
2	New Mountain Vantage GP, L. C H E C K T H E A P P GROUP	P R O P R I A T E (a) [x]	_	MEMBER	OF A
3	SEC USE ONLY]			
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS AF				
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSUR	RE OF LEGAL PROCE T T O I	-	IRED 2 (d)	O R
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OR Delaware			[]	
NUMBER OF	7	SOLE VOTING POV	VER		
NUMBER OF SHARES	8	0 SHARED VOTING F	OWED		
BENEFICIAL	•	4,220,996	TOWER		
OWNED BY		SOLE DISPOSITIVE	EPOWER		
EACH		0	or o were		
REPORTING	10	SHARED DISPOSIT	IVE POWER		
PERSO	N	4,220,996			
WITH					
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT B 4,220,996	BENEFICIALLY OWN	NED BY EACH REI	PORTING PERSO	N
12	CHECK BOX IF THE ACSHARES []	GGREGATE AMOU	JNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES C	ERTAIN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REP	RESENTED BY AMO	OUNT IN ROW (11)	1	
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PER	RSON			

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PER New Mountain Vantage, L.P.	RSON		
2	CHECK THE API GROUP	(a) [x		EMBER OF A
3	(b) [SEC USE ONLY]		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS WC			
5		RE OF LEGAL PROC T T O I	T E M S	2 (d) O R
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF Delaware	RGANIZATION	[[]
	7	SOLE VOTING POV	VER	
NUMBER OF		0		
SHARES	8	SHARED VOTING	POWER	
BENEFICIAL	LY	706,999		
OWNED BY	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE	E POWER	
EACH		0		
REPORTING		SHARED DISPOSIT	TVE POWER	
P E R S O WITH	N	706,999		
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT I 706,999	BENEFICIALLY OWN	NED BY EACH REPOR	TING PERSON
12	CHECK BOX IF THE A SHARES []	AGGREGATE AMO	UNT IN ROW (11) EX	XCLUDES CERTAIN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REF	PRESENTED BY AMO	OUNT IN ROW (11)	
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PE PN	ERSON		

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PER	
2	GROUP	PROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) [x]
3	(b) [SEC USE ONLY	
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS WC	
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSU	RE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED T T O I T E M S 2 (d) O R []
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE O Delaware	
	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF		0
SHARES	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
BENEFICIAL		447,573
OWNED BY EACH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0
REPORTING	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
P E R S O		447,573
WITH		117,373
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT 1 447,573	BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
12	CHECK BOX IF THE A SHARES []	AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REP	PRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PE PN	ERSON

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSO	
2	GROUP	1a) II, L.P. ROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) [x]
3	SEC USE ONLY (b) []	
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS WC	
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE P U R S U A N T	OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED T O I T E M S 2 (d) O R
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE ORG Delaware	
NUMBER OF		OLE VOTING POWER
SHARES		HARED VOTING POWER
BENEFICIAL		478,442
OWNED BY	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	OLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
EACH	0	
REPORTING	10 S	HARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
P E R S O WITH	N 1,	,478,442
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BEI	NEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGO SHARES []	GREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRE	ESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERS PN	ON

CUSIP N	o. 636180101		Page 6 of 24 Pages	
1	NAME OF REPORTING PER			
2	GROUP	P R O P R I A T E (a) [x]	BOX IF A MEMBER OF	A
3	SEC USE ONLY (b) []		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS WC			
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSUR	RE OF LEGAL PROCI T T O I	~	R
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF Delaware		[]	
NILIMBED OF	7	SOLE VOTING POV	WER	
NUMBER OF SHARES	8	SHARED VOTING I	DOWED	
BENEFICIAL	•	10,102	TOWER	
OWNED BY	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE	F POWER	
EACH		0	ET 6 WER	
REPORTING	10	SHARED DISPOSIT	ΓIVE POWER	
PERSO		10,102	III O WER	
WITH				
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT E 10.102	BENEFICIALLY OWN	NED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	
12	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	GGREGATE AMOU	UNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTA	IN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REP. Less than 0.1%	PRESENTED BY AMO	OUNT IN ROW (11)	
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PEI	RSON		

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PER				
2	New Mountain Vantage Advis C H E C K T H E A P I GROUP	P R O P R I A T E (a) [x]		MEMBER	OF A
3	(b) [SEC USE ONLY				
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS AF				
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSU P U R S U A N	RE OF LEGAL PROCE T T O I	EEDINGS IS REQUIR T E M S	2 (d)	O R
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE O Delaware	RGANIZATION		[]	
	7	SOLE VOTING POW	/ER		
NUMBER OF		0			
SHARES	8	SHARED VOTING P	OWER		
BENEFICIAL		2,723,469	DOMED		
OWNED BY EACH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE	POWER		
REPORTING	10	0 SHARED DISPOSITI	WE DOWED		
P E R S O		2,723,469	IVE POWEK		
WITH	11	2,723,409			
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT 1 2,723,469	BENEFICIALLY OWN	ED BY EACH REPO	RTING PERSO	N
12	CHECK BOX IF THE A SHARES []	AGGREGATE AMOU	INT IN ROW (11)	EXCLUDES CI	ERTAIN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REF	PRESENTED BY AMO	UNT IN ROW (11)		
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PE OO	ERSON			

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PER New Mountain Vantage (Cayn			
2	CHECK THE API	P R O P R I A T E (a) [x	BOX IF A MEMBER	OF A
3	SEC USE ONLY]		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS AF			
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSUL P U R S U A N	RE OF LEGAL PROC T T O I	T E M S 2 (d)	O R
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE Of Cayman Islands	RGANIZATION	[]	
	7	SOLE VOTING POV	WER	
NUMBER OF		0		
SHARES	8	SHARED VOTING	POWER	
BENEFICIAL OWNED BY	LY 9	80,353 SOLE DISPOSITIVE	E DOWED	
EACH	9	0	EFOWER	
REPORTING	10	SHARED DISPOSIT	TIVE POWER	
P E R S O		80,353	TIVETOWER	
WITH	• •	00,333		
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT 1 80.353	BENEFICIALLY OW	NED BY EACH REPORTING PERSO	N
12	,	AGGREGATE AMO	UNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CI	ERTAIN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REF	PRESENTED BY AMO	OUNT IN ROW (11)	
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PE	ERSON		

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PER New Mountain Vantage Hold			
2	CHECK THE API GROUP	P R O P R I A T E (a) [x	BOX IF A MEMBER O	F A
3	(b) [SEC USE ONLY]		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS AF			
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSUL P U R S U A N		T E M S 2 (d)	O R
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF Cayman Islands	RGANIZATION	[]	
	7	SOLE VOTING POV	WER	
NUMBER OF		0		
SHARES	8	SHARED VOTING	POWER	
BENEFICIAL		80,353	E DOWED	
OWNED BY	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE	E POWER	
EACH	10		TIME DOMED	
REPORTING P E R S O		SHARED DISPOSIT 80,353	HVE POWER	
WITH	N	80,333		
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT I 80.353	BENEFICIALLY OWN	NED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	
12	,	AGGREGATE AMO	UNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CER	TAIN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REF	PRESENTED BY AMO	OUNT IN ROW (11)	
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PE	ERSON		

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON	
2	GROUP	RIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) [x]
3	(b) [] SEC USE ONLY	
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS AF, PF	
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LE P U R S U A N T	
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE ORGANIZA United States of America	
NILIMBED OF		OTING POWER
NUMBER OF SHARES		D VOTING POWER
BENEFICIAL		
OWNED BY	, , ,	SISPOSITIVE POWER
EACH	0	
REPORTING	SHARE	D DISPOSITIVE POWER
PERSO WITH	N 4,301,34	.9
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFIC 4,301,349	IALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREG SHARES []	ATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENT 5.2%	ED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IN	

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON	
2	GROUP (ATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) [x]
3	(b) [] SEC USE ONLY	
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS AF, PF	
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL P U R S U A N T T O	•
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE ORGANIZATION United States of America	
NUMBER OF	7 SOLE VOTIN F 100	NG POWER
SHARES		OTING POWER
BENEFICIAL		THOTOWER
OWNED BY	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	OSITIVE POWER
EACH	100	
REPORTING		SPOSITIVE POWER
PERSO WITH	N 5,000	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY 5,100	Y OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
12	•	AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY Less than 0.1%	Y AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IN	

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON	
2	NMV Special Holdings, LLC C H E C K T H E A P P R O P R I A T E GROUP (a) [x	
3	SEC USE ONLY	
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS WC	
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROC	EEDINGS IS REQUIRED TEMS 2 (d) OR
6	2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE ORGANIZATION Delaware	
	7 SOLE VOTING PO	WER
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIAL OWNED BY EACH REPORTING P E R S O WITH	LY	