

NATCO GROUP INC
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â LEONG RICHARD		(Month/Day/Year)	NATCO GROUP INC [NTG]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	07/21/2008	
C/O NATCO GROUP INC.,Â 11210 EQUITY DRIVE			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77041			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			(give title below) (specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			SVP-European Operations	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common stock - restricted stock ⁽¹⁾	4,000	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Title			

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	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	07/21/2009 ⁽²⁾ 07/21/2015	Common Stock 9,000 \$ 46.525	D Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEONG RICHARD C/O NATCO GROUP INC. 11210 EQUITY DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77041	Â	Â	Â SVP-European Operations	Â

Signatures

Katherine P. Ellis, Attorney-in-Fact for Richard Leong 07/31/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 as to all of the shares on July 21, 2011 or sooner, pursuant to the terms of the 2006 Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan or upon the 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.
- (1) The 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 21, 2009.
 - (2)

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