FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     CAVANAUGH JOSEPH						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STAR GAS PARTNERS LP [ SGH ]											ip of Reporting I plicable) ctor		rson(s) to 1	
(Last)	(Fii R GAS PA	rst) (M	/liddle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2004										Officer (give title below)  Executive Vi		ice F	Other (specify below)	
2187 AT	4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check A Line)					Applicable				
(Street) STAMFO (City)			6902 														filed by One filed by Mor on		•	
(=:-9)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day.						Execution Date,			3. Transact Code (In 8)	rities Acquired ( ed Of (D) (Instr. :			3, 4 S		. Amount of Securities Seneficially Owned		wnership n: Direct or rect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
						Code	v	Amount	(A (D	) or )	Price					r. 4)	(Instr. 4)			
Senior Su	bordinated	Units	02/13/2004 S 1,000 D \$21.73 9,169 D							D										
	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		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivati Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	V (A) (D)		Date E Exercisable D		Expiration Date	or Numb of Title Share		.							

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Joseph P. Cavanaugh

02/12/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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