FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* CAVANAUGH JOSEPH			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>STAR GAS PARTNERS LP</u> [SGU; SGH]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) C/O STAR GA	(First) S PARTNERS	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2004	x	Officer (give title below) Executive Vice	Other (specify below)			
2187 ATLANTIC ST			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Re	porting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year) if any		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Senior Subordinated Units	02/10/2004		S		700	D	\$21.87	10,469	D	
Senior Subordinated Units	02/10/2004		S		300	D	\$21.88	10,169	D	

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

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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. Transact Code (In 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D	r osed) r. 3, 4	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amour Securit Underl Derivat	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr.	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

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.

* 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).

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