NATCO GROUP INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading BATES THOMAS R JR Issuer Symbol NATCO GROUP INC [NTG] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O LIME ROCK PARTNERS. 06/01/2005 MILLENIUM TOWER, 10375 **RICHMOND AVENUE, SUITE 225**

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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HOUSTON, TX 77942

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(A)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	or Amount (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock - Restricted Stock (1)	06/01/2005	06/01/2005	A	5,000 D	\$ 11.165	10,000	D			

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

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

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BATES THOMAS R JR C/O LIME ROCK PARTNERS, MILLENIUM TOWER 10375 RICHMOND AVENUE, SUITE 225 HOUSTON, TX 77942



Signatures

Katherine P. Ellis, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas R. Bates, Jr.

06/02/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).

Restrictions on this grant of restricted stock lapse 100% after one year of service, or on June 1, 2006, or sooner on the death, disability or (1) retirement after age 68 of the recipient, or upon a corporate change. The stock was issued on June 1, 2005, and therefore has no expiration date, but could be forfeited if service ends prior to June 1, 2006, under certain circumstances.

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