

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>GARDNER HERBERT M</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>TGC INDUSTRIES INC [ TGCI ]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/13/2004</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
P O BOX 6199			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) <u>FAIR HAVEN NJ 07704</u>								
(City) (State) (Zip)								

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

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)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/13/2004		G	V	11,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$0	365,272	D	
Common Stock								35,261	I	By Spouse <sup>(2)</sup>

**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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		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 Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$1							12/11/2001	12/11/2005	Common Stock	10,000	10,000	D		
Warrants	\$0.3							07/31/1999	07/31/2009	Common Stock	200,000	200,000	D		
Warrants (Series A)	\$0.2							09/10/2002	09/10/2012	Common Stock	300,000	300,000	D		
Warrants (Series A2)	\$0.2							06/12/2003	06/12/2013	Common Stock	150,000	150,000	D		
8-1/2% Senior Convertible Preferred Stock	(3)							(4)	(5)	Common Stock	188,500	188,500	D		
8-1/2% Senior Convertible Preferred Stock	(3)							(4)	(5)	Common Stock	47,000	47,000	I	By Spouse <sup>(2)</sup>	
Warrants (Series C2)	\$1	12/15/2004		P		1,733		12/15/2004	12/15/2007	Common Stock	1,733	\$1.5	1,733	I	By Spouse <sup>(2)</sup>

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Gift to The Gardner Family Foundation.
- Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of shares and warrants owned by spouse.
- The shares of the 8-1/2% Senior Convertible Preferred Stock are convertible into Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- Immediately convertible.
- Not applicable.

Herbert M. Gardner

12/15/2004

\*\* 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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