

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BARRETT WILLIAM J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>P. O. BOX 6199</u> (Street) <u>FAIR HAVEN NJ 07704</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>TGC INDUSTRIES INC [TGE]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/07/2012</u>	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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								1,776,869 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock								169,281 ⁽¹⁾	I	By Spouse

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					
Nonqualified Stock Option - reload	\$9.5							(5)	09/19/2012	Common Stock	9,689	9,689	D	
Nonqualified Stock Option	\$2.95							(3)	10/22/2013	Common Stock	25,536	25,536	D	
Nonqualified Stock Option	\$3.69							(3)	12/03/2014	Common Stock	20,933	20,933	D	
Nonqualified Stock Option	\$6.02							(4)	11/20/2016	Common Stock	17,679	17,679	D	
Nonqualified Stock Option	\$5.875	08/07/2012		A		18,750		(6)	08/06/2017	Common Stock	18,750	18,750	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of common stock owned by spouse.
- Includes 1,722,428 shares of common stock held in Reporting Persons IRA accounts.
- Currently exercisable.
- The option vests 50% on 11-21-2011 and 50% on 11-21-2012.
- The reload option vests six months from the date of grant.
- The option vests 50% on 8-7-2012 and 50% on 8-7-2013.
- Not applicable.

William J. Barrett

08/09/2012

** 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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