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**LOBBYING REPORT**

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name <u>Wheat &amp; Associates, L.L.C.</u>			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported <u>1300 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Ste 600</u>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: <u>Washington</u> State/Zip (or Country) <u>DC 20004</u>			
4. Contact Name <u>Alan Wheat</u>	Telephone <u>(202) 220-9761</u>	Email (optional)	5. Senate ID # <u>47198-63</u>
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self <u>Airgas, Inc</u>			6. House ID # <u>3437001</u>

8. Year 2000 Midyear (January 1-June 30)  OR Year End (July 1-December 31)

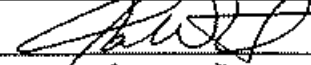
9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

10. Check if this is a Termination Report  ⇨ Termination Date \_\_\_\_\_

11. No Lobbying Activity

**INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13**

<p><b>12. Lobbying Firms</b></p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ <u>20,000.00</u>  <small>Income (nearest \$20,000)</small></p> <p>Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).</p>	<p><b>13. Organizations</b></p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇨ \$ _____  <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small></p> <p><b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>
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Signature 

Printed Name and Title Alan Wheat, President

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Registrant Name Wheat & Associates Client Name Airgas, Inc.

**LOBBYING ACTIVITY.** Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code ENV (one per page)

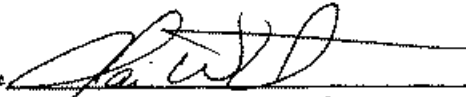
16. Specific lobbying issues  
- Mandate use of refillable containers for refrigerant gases.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None  
- EPA

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Alan Wheat	President	<input type="checkbox"/>
Andrea Berrino	Director of Government Relations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above  Check if None

Signature  Date 8/1/00  
Printed Name and Title Alan Wheat, President