UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington D.C. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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- Name and Address of Reporting Person 1. Chesterman, Patrick J. 5706 West 128th Street Overland Park, KS 66209
- 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. (FGP)
- IRS or Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
- Statement for Month/Day/Year March 25, 2003
- 5. If Amendment Date of Original (Month/Day/Year) N/A
- Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable) 6. Director

Officer (Give title below) Χ

10% Owner

Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable)

Form filed by One Reporting Person Χ

Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Common Unit

Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2. March 24, 2003

- Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 2A. March 24, 2003
- Transaction Code (Instr.8) 3.

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Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 4.

> 1,000 -----

Amount

Code

Α (A) or (D)

\$16.80 Price

1,000 Amount

D

(A) or (D)

\$20.54 Price

Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions 5. (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)
6.
         Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
7.
         N/A
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)
         Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
         Common Unit option (right to buy)
         Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security
2.
         $16.80
         Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)
3.
         March 24, 2003
         Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)
ЗА.
         March 24, 2003
         Transaction code (Instr. 8)
4.
                    Code
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         Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)
5.
         (Instr. 3,4, and 5)
         _ _ _ _ _ _ _
                    (A)
         1,000
                    (D)
         Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)
6.
         10/14/99 Date Exercisable
         10/14/04
                    Expiration Date
7.
         Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
         Common
                    Title
          unit
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          1,000
                    Amount or Number of Shares
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- 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) \$16.80
- 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4) 117,000 (1)
- 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)
- 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.4) N/A
- (1) Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions consists of:
 - o 7,000 options with exercise price of \$18.90, of which 7,000 options are vested;
 - o 20,000 options with exercise price of \$20.19, of which 20,000 options are vested; and
 - o 90,000 options with exercise price of \$17.90, of which 36,000 options are vested. The remaining 54,000 options will vest ratably in April 2004, April 2005 and April 2006.

/s/ Patrick J. Chesterman
Signature of Reporting Person

March 25, 2003

Date

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