

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17
(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act
of 1935 or Section 30 (f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
Boyd H. McGathey
1087 Prestonwood Dr.
Edwardsville, IL 62025
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Ferrellgas Partners, L.P. "FGP"
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
12/98
5. If Amendment Date of Original (Month/Year)
N/A
6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable)
Director
X Officer (Give title below)
10% Owner
Other (specify below)

Title: Chief Operating Officer, Eastern U.S.
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable)
X Form filed by One Reporting Persons
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)
Common Units
2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)
12/23/98
3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)
Code P
V
4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
100	A	\$17.00
5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)
100
6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)
D
7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
N/A

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)
N/A
2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security
N/A
3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)
N/A
4. Transaction code (Instr. 8)

Code
V

5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)
(Instr. 3,4, and 5)
(A)
(D)
6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)
Date Exercisable
Expiration Date
7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Title
Amount or Number of Shares
8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
N/A
9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month
(Instr. 4)
N/A
10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 4)
N/A
11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.4)
N/A

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Boyd McGathey

12/31/98

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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Violations.
See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).