SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 SCHEDULE 13D Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 14) Southwest Gas Corporation (Name of Issuer) Common Stock \$1.00 Par Value Per Share (Title of Class of Securities) 844895102 (CUSIP Number) James E. McKee Gabelli Asset Management Inc. One Corporate Center Rye, New York 10580-1435 (914) 921-5294 (Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications) _May 9, 2001 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement) If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Sections 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box. CUSIP No. 844895102 1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) Gabelli Funds, LLC I.D. NO. 13-4044523 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) (a) (b) 3 SEC USE ONLY Δ SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) 00-Funds of investment advisory clients CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e) 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION New York NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED

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BY EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
7
SOLE VOTING POWER
 884,000
             (Item 5)
8
SHARED VOTING POWER
NONE
9
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
   884,000
             (Item 5)
10
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
11
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
      884,000
                 (ITEM 5)
12
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
13
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
2.77%
14
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
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CUSIP No. 844895102
1
NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)
GAMCO Investors, Inc.
I.D. NO. 13-4044521
2
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
(a)
(b)
3
SEC USE ONLY
4
SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
 00-Funds of investment advisory clients
5
CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
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PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e)
6
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
   New York
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED
BY EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
7
SOLE VOTING POWER
2,076,993
8
SHARED VOTING POWER
NONE
9
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
2,163,993
10
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
11
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
2,163,993
12
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
13
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
6.79%
14
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
    IA, CO
CUSIP No. 844895102
1
NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)
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Gabelli Associates Limited
I.D. NO. Foreign Corporation
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2
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
(a)
(b)
3
SEC USE ONLY
4
SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
    WC
5
CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e)
6
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
   British Virgin Islands
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED
BY EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
7
SOLE VOTING POWER
16,000
8
SHARED VOTING POWER
NONE
9
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
16,000
10
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
11
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
16,000
12
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
13
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14
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
    C0
CUSIP No. 844895102
1
NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)
Gabelli Foundation, Inc.
        I.D. NO. 94-2975159
2
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
(a)
(b)
3
SEC USE ONLY
4
SOURCE OF FUNDS N(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
     WC
5
CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e)
6
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
   NV
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED
BY EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
7
SOLE VOTING POWER
  11,000
            (Item 5)
8
SHARED VOTING POWER
NONE
9
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
   11,000
              (Item 5)
10
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
11
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0.05%

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11,000
               (ITEM 5)
12
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
13
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
0.03%
14
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
   00-PRIVATE FOUNDATION
CUSIP No. 844895102
1
NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)
Gabelli Fund, LDC
                                                                                  I.D. NO.
Foreign Corporation
2
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
(a)
(b)
3
SEC USE ONLY
4
SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
   WC
5
CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e)
6
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
   British Virgin Islands
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED
BY EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
7
SOLE VOTING POWER
2,000
8
SHARED VOTING POWER
NONE
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SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 2,000 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER NONE 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 2,000 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 0.01% 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) C0 CUSIP No. 844895102 1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) Gabelli Group Capital Partners, Inc. I.D. NO. 13-3056041 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) (a) (b) 3 SEC USE ONLY 4 Source of funds (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) None 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e) 6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION New York NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

WITH 7 SOLE VOTING POWER None 8 SHARED VOTING POWER NONE 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER NONE 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER NONE 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON NONE 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) NONE 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) HC, CO CUSIP No. 844895102 1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) Gabelli Asset Management Inc. I.D. NO. 13-4007862 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) (a) (b) 3 SEC USE ONLY 4 Source of funds (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) None 5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e) 6

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

New York NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH 7 SOLE VOTING POWER None 8 SHARED VOTING POWER NONE 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER NONE 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER NONE 11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON NONE 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) 13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 0.00% 14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) HC, CO CUSIP No. 844895102 1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) Marc J. Gabelli 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) (a)

(b)

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3
SEC USE ONLY
4
Source of funds (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
  None
5
CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e)
6
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
   USA
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED
BY EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
7
SOLE VOTING POWER
None
8
SHARED VOTING POWER
NONE
9
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
10
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
11
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
NONE
12
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
13
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
None
14
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ΙN
CUSIP No. 844895102
1
NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)
Mario J. Gabelli
2
CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
(a)
(b)
3
SEC USE ONLY
4
Source of funds (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)
 None
5
CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (d) OR 2 (e)
6
CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
   USA
NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED
BY EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH
7
SOLE VOTING POWER
None
8
SHARED VOTING POWER
NONE
9
SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
10
SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
NONE
11
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
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NONE 12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) 13

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

0.00% 14

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

Item 1. Security and Issuer

This Amendment No. 14 to Schedule 13D on the Common Stock of Southwest Gas Corporation (the "Issuer") is being filed on behalf of the undersigned to amend the Schedule 13D, as amended (the "Schedule 13D") which was originally filed on February 18, 1997. Unless otherwise indicated, all capitalized terms used herein but not defined herein shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Schedule 13D.

Item 2. Identity and Background

This statement is being filed by Mario J. Gabelli ("Mario Gabelli"), Marc J. Gabelli ("Marc Gabelli") and various entities which either one directly or indirectly controls or for which either one acts as chief investment officer. Many of these entities engage in various aspects of the securities business, including as investment adviser to various institutional and individual clients, including registered investment companies and pension plans, and as general partner of various private investment partnerships. Certain of these entities may also make investments for their own accounts.

The foregoing persons in the aggregate often own beneficially more than 5% of a class of a particular issuer. Although several of the foregoing persons are treated as institutional investors for purposes of reporting their beneficial ownership on the short-form Schedule13G, the holdings of those who do not qualify as institutional investors may exceed the 1% threshold presented for filing on Schedule 13G or implementation of their investment philosophy may from time to time require action which could be viewed as not completely passive. In order to avoid any question as to whether their beneficial ownership is being reported on the proper form and in order to provide greater investment flexibility and administrative uniformity, these persons have decided to file their beneficial ownership reports on the more detailed Schedule 13D form rather than on the short-form Schedule 13G and thereby to provide more expansive disclosure than may be necessary.

(a), (b) and (c) - This statement is being filed by one or more of the following persons: Gabelli Group Capital Partners, Inc. ("Gabelli Partners"), Gabelli Asset Management Inc. ("GAMI"), Gabelli Funds, LLC ("Gabelli Funds"), GAMCO Investors, Inc. ("GAMCO"), Gabelli Securities, Inc. ("GSI"), Gabelli & Company, Inc. ("Gabelli & Company"), Gabelli Performance Partnership L.P. ("GPP"), GLI, Inc. ("GLI"), Gabelli Associates Fund ("Gabelli Associates"), Gabelli Associates Limited ("GAL"), Gabelli & Company, Inc. Profit Sharing Plan (the "Plan"), Gabelli International Limited ("GIL"), Gabelli International II Limited ("GIL II"), ALCE Partners, L.P. ("ALCE"), Gabelli Multimedia Partners, L.P. ("Multimédia Partners"), MJG Associates, Inc. ("MJG Associates"), Gemini Capital Management, LLC. ("Gemini"), Gabelli Fund, LDC ("LDC"), Gabelli Foundation, Inc. ("Foundation"), Gabelli Advisers, Inc. ("Gabelli Advisers"), Gabelli Global Partners Master Fund, Ltd. ("GGP"), Gabelli European Partners Master Fund, Ltd. ("GEP"), Mario Gabelli, Marc Gabelli, Lynch Corporation ("Lynch"), Spinnaker Industries, Incorporated ("Spinnaker"), Western New Mexico Telephone Company ("Western New Mexico") Entoleter, Inc. ("Entoleter"), Lynch Telecommunications Corporation ("Lynch Telecom"), Lynch Telephone Corporation ("Lynch Telephone"), Lynch Interactive Corporation ("Interactive"), Brighton Communications Corporation ("Brighton") and Inter-Community Telephone Company ("Inter-Community"). Those of the foregoing persons signing this Schedule 13D are hereafter referred to as the "Reporting Persons"

Gabelli Partners makes investments for its own account and is the parent company of GAMI. Mario Gabelli is the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer and majority shareholder of Gabelli Partners. GAMI, a public company listed on the New York Stock Exchange, is the parent company of a variety of companies engaged in the securities business, including those named below.

GAMCO, a wholly-owned subsidiary of GAMI, is an investment adviser registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended ("Advisers Act"). GAMCO is an investment manager providing discretionary managed account services for employee benefit plans, private investors, endowments, foundations and others.

GSI, a majority owned subsidiary of GAMI, acts as a general partner or investment manager to limited partnerships and offshore investment companies and as a part of its business regularly purchases and sells securities for its own account. It is the immediate parent of Gabelli & Company.

Gabelli & Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of GSI, is a brokerdealer registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("1934 Act"), which as a part of its business regularly purchases and sells securities for its own account.

GLI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of GSI, is a corporation which currently has no active operations.

Gabelli Associates is a limited partnership whose primary business purpose is risk arbitrage investments. GSI and Mario Gabelli are the general partners of Gabelli Associates.

GAL is a corporation whose primary business purpose is risk arbitrage investments. Shares of GAL's common stock are offered to persons who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States and may be offered to a limited number of U.S. investors. GSI is the investment manager of GAL.

Gabelli Funds, a wholly owned subsidiary of GAMI, is a limited liability company. Gabelli Funds is an investment adviser registered under the Advisers Act which presently provides discretionary managed account services for the following registered investment companies: The Gabelli Equity Trust Inc., The Gabelli Asset Fund, The Gabelli Growth Fund, The Gabelli Convertible Securities Fund, Inc., The Gabelli Value Fund Inc., The Gabelli Small Cap Growth Fund, The Gabelli Equity Income Fund, The Gabelli ABC Fund, The Gabelli Global Telecommunications Fund, Gabelli Gold Fund, Inc., The Gabelli Global Multimedia Trust Inc., The Gabelli Global Convertible Securities Fund, Gabelli Capital Asset Fund, Gabelli International Growth Fund, Inc., The Gabelli Global Growth Fund, The Gabelli Utility Trust, The Gabelli Global Opportunity Fund, The Gabelli Utilities Fund and The Gabelli Blue Chip Value Fund (collectively, the "Funds").

Gabelli Advisers, a subsidiary of GAMI, is an investment adviser which provides discretionary advisory services to The Gabelli Westwood Mighty Mitessm Fund

The Plan, a qualified employee profit sharing plan, covers substantially all employees of GAMI and its affiliates.

GPP is a limited partnership whose primary business purpose is investing in securities. MJG Associates provides services to GPP, and Mario Gabelli is the general partner and a portfolio manager for GPP.

GIL is a corporation whose primary business purpose is investing in a portfolio of equity securities and securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, equity securities in order to achieve its investment objective of significant long-term growth of capital. Shares of GIL's common stock are offered to persons who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States and may be offered to a limited number of U.S. investors. MJG Associates is the investment manager of GIL. Mario Gabelli is a portfolio manager for GIL and Chairman of the Board of Directors of GIL.

GIL II is a corporation whose business purpose is investing primarily in a portfolio of equity securities and securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, equity securities in order to achieve its investment objective of significant long-term growth of capital. Shares of GIL II's common stock are offered to persons who are neither citizens nor residents of the United States and may be offered to a limited number of U.S. investors. MJG Associates is the investment manager of GIL II. Mario Gabelli is a portfolio manager and Chairman of the Board of Directors of GIL II.

ALCE is an investment limited partnership that seeks long-term capital appreciation primarily through investments in public and private equity securities. GSI is a general partner of ALCE.

Multimedia Partners is an investment limited partnership whose objective is to provide long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in public and private multimedia communications companies. GSI is a general partner of Multimedia Partners.

GGP is a corporation whose primary business purpose is investing in securities on a global basis. Gabelli Securities International Limited and Gemini are the investment advisors of GGP and Marc Gabelli is the portfolio manager for GGP.

GEP is a corporation whose primary business purpose is investing in securities of European Companies. Gabelli Securities International Limited is the investment advisor of GEP and Marc Gabelli is a portfolio manager for GEP.

LDC is a corporation whose business purpose is investing primarily in a portfolio of equity securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, equity securities in order to achieve its investment objective of significant long-term growth of capital. Interests are offered to insurance companies which do not conduct any business in the United States and which are licensed where they do business. MJG Associates is the investment manager of LDC. Mario Gabelli is a portfolio manager for LDC.

MJG Associates provides advisory services to private investment partnerships and offshore funds. Mario Gabelli is the sole shareholder, director and employee of MJG Associates.

Gemini is a limited liability company whose primary business purpose is to provide advisory services to offshore funds. Marc Gabelli is the President, Chief Investment Officer and majority shareholder of Gemini. The Foundation is a private foundation. Mario Gabelli is the President, a Trustee and the investment manager of the Foundation. Lynch is a public company traded on the American Stock Exchange engaged in manufacturing. Spinnaker, a subsidiary of Lynch, is also a public company and its stock is traded through the NASDAQ National Market. Spinnaker is a manufacturing firm with major subsidiaries in specialty adhesive-backed materials business. Interactive, a public company listed on the American Stock Exchange, is a holding company whose principal subsidiary is Brighton. Brighton is a holding company with subsidiaries in multimedia and services businesses. Western New Mexico, a subsidiary of Brighton, provides local telephone services in an area in Southwestern New Mexico. Inter-Community, which is also a subsidiary of Brighton, provides local telephone services in an area 40 miles west of Fargo, North Dakota. Lynch and Interactive actively pursue new business ventures and acquisitions. Mario J. Gabelli is a director, Chairman of the Board and a substantial shareholder of Lynch and Interactive.

The Reporting Persons do not admit that they constitute a group. Gabelli Partners, GAMI, GAMCO, Gabelli & Company and GLI are New York corporations and GSI and Gabelli Advisers are Delaware corporations, each having its principal business office at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York Gabelli Funds is a New York limited liability company having its 10580. principal business office at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580. GPP is a New York limited partnership having its principal business office at 401 Theodore Fremd Ave., Rye, New York 10580. MJG Associates is a Connecticut corporation having its principal business office at 401 Theodore Fremd Ave., Rye, New York 10580. Gabelli Associates is a New York limited partnership having its principal business office at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580. ALCE and Multimedia Partners are Delaware limited partnerships each having its principal business office at One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580. GAL and GIL are corporations organized under the laws of the British Virgin Islands having their principal business office at c/o Fortis Fund Services (Cayman) Limited, Grand Pavilion, Commercial Centre, 802 West Bay Road, Grand Cayman, British West Indies. GIL II is a corporation organized under the laws of the British Virgin Islands having their principal business office at c/o Coutts & Company (Cayman) Limited, West Bay Road, Grand Cayman, British Wet Indies. Gemini is a Delaware limited liability company with its principal place of business at 401 Theodore Fremd Ave, Rye, New York 10580. LDC is a corporation organized under the laws of the British Virgin Islands having its principal business office at c/o Tremont (Bermuda) Limited, Tremont House, 4 Park Road, Hamilton HM II, Bermuda. The Foundation is a private foundation having its principal offices at 165 West Liberty Street, Reno, Nevada 89501. Lynch is an Indiana corporation having its principal business office 401 Theodore Fremd Ave., Rye, New York 10580. Spinnaker is a Delaware corporation having its principal business office at 251 Welton Street, Handen, СТ 06511. Interactive and Brighton are Delaware corporations each having its principal place of business at 401 Theodore Fremd Ave., Rye, New York 10580. For information required by instruction C to Schedule 13D with

respect to the executive officers and directors of the foregoing entities and other related persons (collectively, "Covered Persons"), reference is made to Schedule I annexed hereto and incorporated herein by reference. (f) - Reference is made to Schedule I hereto.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction Item 4 to Schedule 13D is amended, in pertinent part, as follows: GAMCO notified the Issuer today that GAMCO intends to nominate Michael J. Melarkey for election as a director at the Issuer's annual meeting and that GAMCO intends to cumulate its votes at the meeting. Item 5. Interest In Securities Of The Issuer

Item 5 to Schedule 13D is amended, in pertinent part, as follows: (a) The aggregate number of Securities to which this Schedule 13D relates is 3,076,993 shares, representing 9.65% of the 31,882,165 shares outstanding as reported in the Issuer's most recent Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2000. The Reporting Persons beneficially own those Securities as follows:

Name

Shares of Common Stock % of Class of Common GAMCO 2,163,993

6.79% Gabelli Funds

884,000 2.77% GAL

16,000 0.05% Foundation

11,000 0.03% LDC 2,000 0.01%

Mario Gabelli

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Marc Gabelli

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0.00%

Mario Gabelli is deemed to have beneficial ownership of the Securities owned beneficially by each of the foregoing persons other than Marc Gabelli and Gemini. Marc Gabelli is deemed to have beneficial ownership of the Securities owned by Gemini. GSI is deemed to have beneficial ownership of the Securities beneficially owned by ALCE, GMP, GAL, Gabelli Associates and Gabelli & Company.

MJG Associates is deemed to have beneficial ownership of the Securities beneficially owned by GPP, GIL, GIL II and LDC. GAMI and Gabelli Partners are deemed to have beneficial ownership of the Securities owned beneficially by each of the foregoing persons other than Mario Gabelli, Marc Gabelli, Gemini and the Foundation.

(b) Each of the Reporting Persons and Covered Persons has the sole power to vote or direct the vote and sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of the Securities reported for it, either for its own benefit or for the benefit of its investment clients or its partners, as the case may be, except that that (i) GAMCO does not have the authority to vote 87,000 of the reported shares, (ii) Gabelli Funds has sole dispositive and voting power with respect to the shares of the Issuer held by the Funds so long as the aggregate voting interest of all joint filers does not exceed 25% of their total voting interest in the Issuer and, in that event, the Proxy Voting Committee of each Fund shall respectively vote that Fund's shares, (iii) at any time, the Proxy Voting Committee of each such Fund may take and exercise in its sole discretion the entire voting power with respect to the shares held by such fund under special circumstances such as regulatory considerations, and (iv) the power of Mario Gabelli, Marc Gabelli, GAMI, and Gabelli Partners is indirect with respect to Securities beneficially owned directly by other Reporting Persons.

(c) Information with respect to all transactions in the Securities which were effected during the past sixty days or since the most recent filing on Schedule 13D, whichever is less, by each of the Reporting Persons and Covered Persons is set forth on Schedule II annexed hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

(e) Not applicable.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct. Dated: May 9, 2001

MARIO J. GABELLI MARC J. GABELLI GABELLI FUND, LDC GABELLI FOUNDATION, INC.

By:/s/ James E. McKee James E. McKee Attorney-in-Fact

GABELLI GROUP CAPITAL PARTNERS, INC. GABELLI ASSET MANAGEMENT INC. GABELLI FUNDS, LLC

By:/s/ James E. McKee James E. McKee Secretary By:/s/ James E. McKee_____ James E. McKee Secretary of Gabelli Securities Inc.

GAMCO INVESTORS, INC.

By:/s/ Douglas R. Jamieson Douglas R. Jamieson Executive Vice President

Schedule I

Information with Respect to Executive Officers and Directors of the Undersigned

Schedule I to Schedule 13D is amended, in pertinent part, as

follows:

The following sets forth as to each of the executive officers and directors of the undersigned: his name; his business address; his present principal occupation or employment and the name, principal business and address of any corporation or other organization in which such employment is conducted. Unless otherwise specified, the principal employer of each such individual is Gabelli Group Capital Partners, Inc., Gabelli Asset Management Inc., Gabelli Funds, LLC, Gabelli & Company, Inc., or GAMCO Investors, Inc., the business address of each of which is One Corporate Center, Rye, New York 10580, and each such individual identified below is a citizen of the United States. To the knowledge of the undersigned, during the last five years, no such person has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors), and no such person was a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction as a result of which he was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities law or finding any violation with respect to such laws except as reported in Item 2(d) of this Schedule 13D.

Gabelli Group Capital Partners, Inc. Directors:

Mario J. Gabelli

Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of Gabelli Group Capital Partners, Inc., Gabelli Asset Management Inc., and GAMCO Investors, Inc.; Director/Trustee of all registered investment companies advised by Gabelli Funds, LLC; Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Lynch Interactive Corporation; Chairman of Lynch Corporation.

Richard B. Black Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of Oak Technology, Inc.; Chairman of ECRM; Director of The Morgan Group, Inc.; General Partner of KBA Partners Parker Plaza 400 Kelby Street Fort Lee, NJ 07029

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	SHARES PURCHASED	AVERAGE
DATE	SOLD(-)	PRICE(2)
COMMON STOCK-SOUTHWEST GAS CORP		
GAMCO INVESTORS, INC.		
5/02/01	1,000	21.1000
5/02/01	3,000	20.9733
4/24/01	1,000-	20.8180
4/23/01	1,500-	*D0
4/20/01	1,500	20.3500
4/12/01	6,000	20.8000
4/09/01	2,000-	20.4550
	4/05/01 10,500	20.6910
4/04/01	2,000-	20.0000
4/03/01	1,500	20.2933
3/31/01	76	*DI
3/16/01	400	20.8500
3/13/01	200	20.0000
3/09/01	400	21.1000

- (1) UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, ALL TRANSACTIONS WERE EFFECTED ON THE NYSE
- (2) PRICE EXCLUDES COMMISSION.
- (*) RESULTS IN CHANGE OF DISPOSITIVE POWER AND BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP.