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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A SHIELDS	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP [NJR]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) C/O NEW . CORPORA ROAD	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/03/2008					Director 10% Owner Selection Other (specify below)					
	(Street)		endment, D nth/Day/Yea	ate Original r)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
WALL, NJ							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Month/Day/Year) ZA. Deemed Execution any (Month/Day			4. Securities Acquired or(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	10/01/2008			Code V A	1,687.5	A	\$ 0 (1)	34,820.771 (2)	D		
Common Stock	10/01/2008			F	746 <u>(3)</u>	D	\$ 36.27 (4)	34,074.771 (2)	D		
Common Stock								31.276 <u>(5)</u>	I	Cust. for Rel.	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	iorNumber	Expiration Date		Amount of	Derivative]	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired]
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					4, and 5)						
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						Exercisable					
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				Code V	I (A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHIELDS JOSEPH P C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719

Exec V.P. & COO, Subsidiary

Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-In-Fact (POA on File)

10/03/2008

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).

Performance Units previously reported on Form 4 that were issued pursuant to the Company's Long Term Plan vested over a 30 month period if certain performance goals were met, beginning in May 2005, with 50% that was paid on October 1, 2007, and 50% payable on

- (1) October 1, 2008, if still employed by Company. Performance Units convert 1 for 1 into shares of Company common stock. There is no purchase or sales price upon vesting of the Performance Units. Includes accrued dividends. Share amounts reflect an increase due to the 3-for-2 stock split as of 3/3/08
 - Includes actual number of shares that vested, including shares held outright, shares held in New Jersey Resources Corporation (NJR)
- (2) deferral plan and shares held in NJR ESOP that are accounted for on a unitized basis that reflects a calculated value. Each include reinvested dividends through the Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP).
- (3) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligation.

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- (4) Represents the last reported sales price of the Company's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on October 1, 2008.
- (5) Share amount reflects an increase due to the 3-for-2 stock split as of 3/3/08 and includes reinvested dividends through NJR Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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