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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DOWNES LAURENCE M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP [NJR]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES 10. CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/15/2015				X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO		
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/De	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	10/15/2015			A	22,748	A	\$ 30.81	362,552.07 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	D		
Common Stock	10/15/2015			F	10,214	D	\$ 30.81	352,308.097	D		

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	10/15/2015		M	22,748 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	22,748 (4)	9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
, 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
DOWNES LAURENCE M C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719	X		Chairman, President & CEO			
Signatures						
Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-in-Fact (POA on File)	10/19/201	15				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date					

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).
- (1) Total includes an accrual of 272.541 shares of New Jersey Resources (NJR) Common Stock through the NJR Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP).
- (2) Total includes shares held in the NJR Employee Stock Ownership Plan, which include reinvested dividends through the NJR DRP.
- (3) Each deferred stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of NJR common stock.
- (4) Total reflects 2 for 1 stock split on March 3, 2015.
- (5) Deferred stock unit award is payable subject to certain conditions on 10/15/2015.

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