

HEARNE TIMOTHY C
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HEARNE TIMOTHY C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP
[NJR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Sr. Vice President of Sub

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/10/2006

(Street)
WALL, NJ 07719

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/10/2006		M		10,000	A	\$ 24.625
Common Stock	02/10/2006		S		10,000	D	\$ 43.5
Common Stock					241.621	I	(2)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Option (Right-to-Buy)	\$ 24.625 (3)	02/10/2006		M	10,000 (4)	01/26/2000 ⁽⁵⁾ 01/26/2009	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HEARNE TIMOTHY C
C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION
1415 WYCKOFF ROAD
WALL, NJ 07719

Sr. Vice President of Sub

Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-In-Fact (Updated POA attached)

02/13/2006

**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 shares held in Company ESOP, 401-K, Compensation Deferral Plan and reinvested dividends through DRP.
- (2) Total includes reinvested dividends through DRP.
- (3) Price reflects change due to 3 to 2 stock split as of 3/1/02.
- (4) Option shares represent increase due to 3 for 2 stock split as of 3/1/02.
- (5) Options are exercisable 25% each year beginning on the first anniversary date, which is listed here.

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