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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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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A ZILAI DEB	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP [NJR]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
	(First) ERSEY RESO TION, 1415 W	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2008						Director 10% Owner Sofficer (give title Other (specify below) V.P., Subsidiary				
					Oat ar)	te Original			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 Da (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution	ned 3. n Date, if Transaction Code Day/Year) (Instr. 8)			4. Securitin(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	10/01/2008			Code V		Amount 843.75	(D)	Price \$ 0 (1)	(Instr. 3 and 4) 24,305.854 (2)	D		
Common Stock	10/01/2008			F		373 (3)	D	\$ 36.27 (4)	23,932.854 (<u>2)</u>	D		

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

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				C 1 W					of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ZILAI DEBORAH G C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719

V.P., 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.
- (2) Includes actual number of shares that vested, including shares held outright, shares held in New Jersey Resources Compensation Deferral Plan and shares held in Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligation.
- (4) Represents the last reported sales price of the Company's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on October 1, 2008.

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