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ZILAI DEBORAH G

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ZILAI DEBORAH G Issuer Symbol

NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP [NJR]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below)

below) C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES 12/28/2010 V.P. Subsidiary

CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD

(First)

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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WALL, NJ 07719

(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Beneficial (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 1,221 Common \$ 29,343.455 12/28/2010 Α (1) Stock 43.81

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)

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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 proof 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Shares	<u>(3)</u>	12/28/2010		A	1,878	(3)	09/30/2013	Common Stock	1,878

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

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)

**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).
- Represents shares of restricted stock granted pursuant to the New Jersey Resources Corporation (NJR) 2007 Stock Award and Incentive (1) Plan. Shares will vest in three equal installments, which will be on October 15, 2011, October 15, 2012 and October 15, 2013, subject to the continued employment of the reporting person by NJR, except under certain conditions.
- (2) Total includes shares held outright and reinvested dividends through the NJR Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- Represents performance shares granted pursuant to the New Jersey Resources Corporation (NJR) 2007 Stock Award and Incentive Plan.

 (3) Shares will become vested and non-forfeitable upon certification by the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee that the applicable performance goals for the 33 month period ending September 30, 2013, have been met.

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