NEWPARK RESOURCES INC Form 8-K September 18, 2008

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **September 17, 2008 NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.** 

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-296072-1123385(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2700 Research Forest Drive,

Suite 100 77381
The Woodlands, TX (Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (281) 362-6800

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On September 17, 2008, Newpark Resources, Inc. (Newpark) issued a press release providing an operational update on its Gulf Coast operations following its initial assessment of the impact of Hurricane Ike. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information referenced under Item 7.01 (including Exhibit 99.1 referenced in Item 9.01 below) of this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished under Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure and, as such, shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1 referenced in Item 9.01 below) shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement, report or other document filed by Newpark pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ), except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated September 17, 2008.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

# NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

Dated: September 17, 2008 By: /s/ James E. Braun

James E. Braun, Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

# **Exhibit Index**

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