

Howes Paul L
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Howes Paul L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEWPARK RESOURCES INC
 [NR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 456 SHETLAND VALLEY CT.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/22/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chief Executive Officer

CHESTERFIELD, MO 63005

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common stock	03/22/2006		A		200,000	A	\$ 0
					200,000	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)

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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. 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 8.08	03/22/2006		A	125,000	03/22/2007 03/21/2013	Common stock	125,000
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 8.08	03/22/2006		A	125,000	03/22/2008 03/21/2013	Common Stock	125,000
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 8.08	03/22/2006		A	125,000	03/22/2009 03/21/2013	Common Stock	125,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Howes Paul L 456 SHETLAND VALLEY CT. CHESTERFIELD, MO 63005	X		Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

/s/Paul L.
Howes

03/24/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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