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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TAMBAKERAS MARKOS I

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

NEWPORT CORP [NEWP]

(Month/Day/Year)

05/23/2008

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

below)

1791 DEERE AVENUE

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

A

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

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

IRVINE, CA 92606

(City)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) anv (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Common

Stock

05/23/2008

Code V Amount (D) 19,425

(1)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price A \$0

(A)

19,425 D

Transaction(s)

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(i.i.dia. Dayi Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Amoun or Numbe of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TAMBAKERAS MARKOS I
1791 DEERE AVENUE X
IRVINE, CA 92606

Signatures

Jeffrey B. Coyne, SVP & General Counsel, as attorney-in-fact for reporting person

05/27/2008

**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) Consists of restricted stock units representing the right to receive upon vesting a total of 19,425 shares of the issuer's common stock. Such restricted stock units vest in 25% increments on each of the first four anniversaries of the award date.

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