HARDEN OLETA J
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HARDEN OLETA J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD

(Street)

WALL, NJ 07719

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP [NJR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/17/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior V.P. & Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/17/2006		M		15,000	A	$ 24.625	40,473.088 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2006		S		400	D	$ 44.45	40,073.088 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2006		S		1,200	D	$ 44.47	38,873.088 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2006		S		900	D	$ 44.48	37,973.088 (1)	D	
	02/17/2006		S		100	D	$ 44.49		D	

Common Stock						37,873.088 (1)	
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	4,000	D	$ 44.5	33,873.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	4,600	D	$ 44.51	29,273.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	3,800	D	$ 44.52	25,473.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	M	22,500	A	$ 31.49	47,973.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	800	D	$ 44.52	47,173.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	100	D	$ 44.53	47,073.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	2,300	D	$ 44.54	44,773.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	4,400	D	$ 44.55	40,373.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	1,400	D	$ 44.56	38,973.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	600	D	$ 44.57	38,373.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	100	D	$ 44.58	38,273.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	3,000	D	$ 44.59	35,273.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	3,900	D	$ 44.6	31,373.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	1,000	D	$ 44.61	30,373.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	400	D	$ 44.62	29,973.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	400	D	$ 44.63	29,573.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	600	D	$ 44.64	28,973.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	600	D	$ 44.65	28,373.088 (1)	D
Common Stock	02/17/2006	S	900	D	$ 44.66	27,473.088 (1)	D
	02/17/2006	S	1,300	D	$ 44.7		D

Common Stock							26,173.088 (1)		
Common Stock	02/17/2006		S	300	D	$ 44.71	25,873.088 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2006		S	100	D	$ 44.74	25,773.088 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2006		S	300	D	$ 44.8	25,473.088 (1)	D	
Common Stock							26.353 (2)	I	Cust. for Rel.

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)

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 An Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Options (Right-to-Buy)	$ 24.625 (3)	02/17/2006		M			15,000 (4)	01/26/2000 (5)	01/26/2009	Common Stock
Options (Right-to-Buy)	$ 31.49	02/17/2006		M			22,500	01/15/2004 (5)	01/15/2013	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARDEN OLETA J NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719			Senior V.P. & Secretary	

Signatures

Oleta J. Harden - Attorney-In-Fact (POA on file)	02/21/2006
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) Total includes (1) shares in compensation deferral plan which includes reinvested dividends, (2) shares held in ESOP Plan that are accounted for on a unitized basis that reflects a calculated value, and (3) shares purchased with reinvested dividends through DRP.

(2) Total includes reinvested dividends through DRP.

(3) Price reflects change due to 3 for 2 stock split as of 3/1/02.

(4) Option shares represent increase due to 3 for 2 stock split as of 3/1/02.

(5) Options are exercisable 25% each year beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant, which is listed here.

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