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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Westhoven Stephen D
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
 05/14/2010

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

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD
 (Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 Senior V.P., Subsidiary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

WALL, NJ 07719
 (City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 18,826.756 | 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security | 4. Conversion or Exercise | 5. Ownership Form of | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | (Instr. 4) Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | (Instr. 5) |
|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---|------------|
| Performance Shares | Â (1) | 09/30/2012 | Common Stock | 951 | \$ 0 | D | Â |
| Performance Shares | Â (2) | 09/30/2012 | Common Stock | 1,303 | \$ 0 | D | Â |
| Options (Right-to-Buy) | 05/17/2006(3) | 05/17/2015 | Common Stock | 5,125 | \$ 30.3667 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Westhoven Stephen D C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719 | Â | Â | Â Senior V.P., Subsidiary | Â |

Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-in-Fact (POA on File) 05/20/2010

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Represents performance shares granted pursuant to the NJR 2007 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. Performance shares will become vested and non-forfeitable upon certification by the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee that the applicable goals for the 36 month period ending September 30, 2012, have been met.
 - (2) Represents performance shares granted pursuant to the NJR 2007 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. Performance shares will become vested and non-forfeitable upon certification by the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee that the applicable goals for the 33 month period ending September 30, 2012, have been met.
 - (3) Options are exercisable 25% each year beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant, which was 5/17/2006.

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