

NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP
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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 *
SHIELDS JOSEPH P

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Exec V.P. & COO, Subsidiary

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/03/2008

(Street)
WALL, NJ 07719

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

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

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
Common Stock	10/01/2008		A	V	1,687.5	A	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock	10/01/2008		F		746 ⁽³⁾	D	\$ 36.27 ⁽⁴⁾ <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock							31.276 ⁽⁵⁾	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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHIELDS JOSEPH P
C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION
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WALL, NJ 07719

Exec V.P. & COO, Subsidiary

Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-In-Fact (POA on File)

10/03/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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Performance Units previously reported on Form 4 that were issued pursuant to the Company's Long Term Plan vested over a 30 month period if certain performance goals were met, beginning in May 2005, with 50% that was paid on October 1, 2007, and 50% payable on

(1) October 1, 2008, if still employed by Company. Performance Units convert 1 for 1 into shares of Company common stock. There is no purchase or sales price upon vesting of the Performance Units. Includes accrued dividends. Share amounts reflect an increase due to the 3-for-2 stock split as of 3/3/08

(2) Includes actual number of shares that vested, including shares held outright, shares held in New Jersey Resources Corporation (NJR) deferral plan and shares held in NJR ESOP that are accounted for on a unitized basis that reflects a calculated value. Each include reinvested dividends through the Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP).

(3) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligation.

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- (4) Represents the last reported sales price of the Company's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on October 1, 2008.
- (5) Share amount reflects an increase due to the 3-for-2 stock split as of 3/3/08 and includes reinvested dividends through NJR Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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