

NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP  
 Form 4/A  
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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 \*  
 DOWNES LAURENCE M

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)  
 Chairman, President & CEO

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/10/2006

(Street)  
 WALL, NJ 07719

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  
 02/13/2006

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 02/13/2006                           |  | M                              | (A)<br>or<br>(D)<br>A   | 30,000<br>\$ 25.875   | D  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (1)   | (2)   |  |   |

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 or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 25.875<br>(3)                                       | 02/13/2006                           |  | M                              | 30,000<br>(1) (4)   | 01/26/2001(5) 01/26/2010                                 | Common Stock  | 30,000<br>(1) (4)          |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                                 |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                         | Other |
| DOWNES LAURENCE M<br>C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION<br>1415 WYCKOFF ROAD<br>WALL, NJ 07719 |               |           | Chairman,<br>President &<br>CEO |       |

## Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-In-Fact (POA on file) 02/17/2006

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) This is an amendment to reflect that options to purchase, 30,000 were exercised.

This is an amendment to reflect that the original total reported did not include the total number of options exercised because it excluded 16,000 shares that were retained. The total includes shares held outright, shares held in Company ESOP Plan that are accounted for on a unitized basis and reflects calculated value, and shares in Compensation Deferral Plan which includes reinvested dividends.

(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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