ZILAI DEBORAH G

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and AZILAI DEB	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP [NJR]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) C/O NEW J CORPORA ROAD	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/21/2009					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) V.P. Subsidiary					
		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
WALL, NJ 07719								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially O							ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any		3. 4. Securitie Transaction(A) or Disp Code (Instr. 3, 4 a) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	01/21/2009	01/26/2	009	M	3,426	A	<u>(1)</u>	3,426	D		
Common Stock	01/26/2009			F	336	D	\$ 38.39	23,343.328 (2)	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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration Date		Amount of	Derivative	J	
	Security	or Exercise		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities		Security (Instr. 5)	,
	(Instr. 3)	Price of			(Instr. 8)	Derivative]
		Derivative				Securities	Securities			3 and 4)		(
		Security				Acquired	Acquired					J
		-				(A) or						J
						Disposed						-
						of (D)						(
						(Instr. 3,						
						4, and 5)						
										Amount		
										Amount		
							Date Expiration Exercisable Date	Expiration		or Number		
								of				
					C-1- 1	7 (A) (D)						
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ZILAI DEBORAH G C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719

V.P. Subsidiary

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Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-In-Fact (POA on File) 01/27/2009

**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) Each Phantom Stock unit was the economic equivalent of one share of New Jersey Resources (NJR) Common Stock. On January 21, 2009 the reporting person's phantom stock units were settled for an equal number of shares of NJR Common Stock.
- (2) Total includes shares held outright, shares held in the NJR Compensation Deferral Plan and includes a total of 91.412 shares of reinvested dividends through the NJR Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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