SHIELDS JOSEPH P

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(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)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/10/2009					Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Exec. V.P. & COO, Subsidiary			
	(Street)			endment, D	_	ıl		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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WALL, NJ	07719					ì	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year) Execution any		3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit oppr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed 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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/10/2009			M	20,000	A	\$ 20.993	61,816.706	D		
Common Stock	08/10/2009			S	20,000	D	\$ 36.555 (1)	41,816.706 (2)	D		
Common Stock								32.324 (3)	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)

Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if		5. Number of orDerivative	Expiration Date		Underlying So
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Options (Right-to-Buy)	\$ 20.993 (4)	08/10/2009		M	20,000 (4)	01/15/2004(5)	01/15/2013	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHIELDS JOSEPH P C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719

Exec. V.P. & COO, Subsidiary

Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-In-Fact (POA on File) 08/12/2009

**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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$36.49 to \$36.63. The price reported above reflects the weighted (1) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- Total includes 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 includes reinvested dividends through the Dividend
- (2) that are accounted for on a unitized basis that reflects a calculated value. Each includes reinvested dividends through the Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP).
- (3) Total includes reinvested dividends through the DRP.
- (4) Price and number of options reflect changes due to 3 for 2 stock split as of 3/3/08.
- (5) Options are exercisable 25% each year beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant, which is listed here.

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