NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP

Form 10-K

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

FORM 10 K

x ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

OR

o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM TO

Commission file number 1 8359

NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey
22 2376465
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)
22 1376465
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1415 Wyckoff Road, Wall, New Jersey 07719 732 938 1480

(Address of principal (Registrant's telephone number,

executive offices) including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12 (b) of the Act:

Common Stock \$2.50 Par Value New York Stock Exchange

(Title of each class) (Name of each exchange on which registered)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12 (g) of the Act:

None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Yes: x No: o

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.

Yes: o No: x

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes: x No: o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during

the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes: x No: o

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b 2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer: x Accelerated filer: o

Non-accelerated filer: o Smaller reporting company: o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes: o No: x

The aggregate market value of the Registrant's Common Stock held by nonaffiliates was \$2,064,781,156 based on the closing price of \$49.80 per share on March 31, 2014, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange.

The number of shares outstanding of \$2.50 par value Common Stock as of November 21, 2014 was 42,249,211.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Registrant's definitive Proxy Statement for the Annual Meeting of Shareowners (Proxy Statement) to be held January 21, 2015, to be filed on or about December 11, 2014, are incorporated by reference into Part I and Part III of this report.

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GLOSSARY OF KEY

TERMS

AFUDC Allowance for Funds Used During Construction

AIP Accelerated Infrastructure Program **Asset Retirement Obligations ARO Accounting Standards Codification** ASC Accounting Standards Update **ASU**

Billion Cubic Feet Bcf

Basic Gas Supply Service **BGSS**

BPU New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Continuing Covenant Agreement **CCA CIP Conservation Incentive Program** Chicago Mercantile Exchange **CME**

CR&R Commercial Realty & Resources Corp.

CWIP Construction Work In Progress

The measure of the variation in the weather based on the extent to which the average Degree Day

daily temperature falls below 65 degrees Fahrenheit

Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act Dodd-Frank Act NJR Direct Stock Purchase and Dividend Reinvestment Plan DRP

dths Dekatherms

EDA New Jersey Economic Development Authority

Collectively, Series 2011A, Series 2011B and Series 2011C Bonds issued by the EDA **EDA Bonds**

Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act **EDECA**

FASB Financial Accounting Standards Board

FCM Futures Commission Merchant

FERC Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

> A non-GAAP financial measure, which represents revenues earned from the sale of natural gas less costs of natural gas sold including any transportation and storage

Financial Margin

costs, and excludes any accounting impact from the change in the fair value of certain

derivative instruments

First Mortgage Bonds **FMB FRM** Financial Risk Management

Generally Accepted Accounting Principles of the United States **GAAP**

Health Care Cost Trend Rate **HCCTR** Intercontinental Exchange **ICE** Iroquois Gas Transmission L.P. **Iroquois**

ISDA The International Swaps and Derivatives Association

ITC Investment Tax Credit

NJNG's \$100 million, four-year credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. JPMC Facility

expiring in August 2015 and terminated on September 26, 2014

London Inter-Bank Offered Rate LIBOR

Liquefied Natural Gas LNG

Loan Agreement between the EDA and the Company Loan Agreement

MetLife Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

NJR's unsecured, uncommitted \$100 million private placement shelf note agreement MetLife Facility

with MetLife, Inc. expiring in September 2016

Manufactured Gas Plant **MGP**

Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

MW Megawatts MWh Megawatt Hour

NAESB The North American Energy Standards Board

The Amended and Restated Indenture of Mortgage, Deed of Trust and Security

New Mortgage Indenture Agreement between NJNG and U.S. Bank National Association dated as of

September 1, 2014

NFE Net Financial Earnings NGV Natural Gas Vehicles

NJ RISE New Jersey Reinvestment in System Enhancement

NJCEP New Jersey's Clean Energy Program

NJDEP New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

NJNG New Jersey Natural Gas Company

NJNG Credit Facility The \$250 million unsecured committed credit facility expiring in May 2019

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GLOSSARY OF KEY TERMS

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NJR Credit Facility NJR's \$425 million unsecured committed credit facility expiring in August 2017

NJR Energy NJR Energy Corporation

NJR or The Company New Jersey Resources Corporation