

NEWPARK RESOURCES INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Howes Paul L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

9320 LAKESIDE BOULEVARD, SUITE 100

(Street)

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77381

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEWPARK RESOURCES INC [NR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/10/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 08/10/2016 | | M | | 30,644 (1) | A | \$ 0 576,620 D |
| Common Stock | 08/10/2016 | | F | | 12,855 (2) | D | \$ 6.72 563,765 D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 25,000 I by Trust |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Performance Shares | \$ 0 | 08/10/2016 | | M | 66,723 (3) | 08/10/2016 (3) | Common Stock | 66,723 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Howes Paul L 9320 LAKESIDE BOULEVARD SUITE 100 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77381 | X | | President and CEO | |

Signatures

By: Jennifer Wilson For: Paul L Howes
Date: 08/12/2016

__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) Represents shares acquired upon the partial vesting of a performance stock unit previously granted to the Reporting Person. Vesting of the award was contingent upon Company's achievement of certain levels of total shareholder return (TSR) relative to a pre-determined industry peer group.
 - (2) Represents shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations upon the vesting of performance shares.
 - (3) Represents performance restricted stock units awarded in 2013, the vesting of which was dependent on achievement of certain levels of total shareholder returns (TSR) relative to a peer group established by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. The total represents the maximum number of shares that could have been earned under this award, however, the award criteria was only partially achieved. A portion of the award converted into common stock (see Table I of this Form 4 report) and the remaining shares under the award were forfeited by the Reporting Person.

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