

NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP
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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 *
 SMITH GEORGE C

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)
 NEW JERSEY RESOURCES, 1415
 WYCKOFF ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 08/14/2006

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 V.P., Internal Auditing

WALL, NJ 07719

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	08/14/2006		M			1,091	A	\$ 26.6667	0	D	
Common Stock	08/14/2006		S			191	D	\$ 48.27	0	D	
Common Stock	08/14/2006		S			900	D	\$ 48.17	3,409.2412 (1)	D	
Common Stock									18.901 (2)	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)

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Option (Right-to-Buy)	\$ 26.6667	08/14/2006		M	1,091	12/09/2000 ⁽³⁾ 12/09/2009	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH GEORGE C NEW JERSEY RESOURCES 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719			V.P., Internal Auditing	

Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-In-Fact (POA on file) 08/15/2006

**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) Total includes shares held outright and shares held in company ESOP Plan that are accounted for on a unitized basis and reflects a calculated value. Both include shares purchased through reinvested dividends.
- (2) Total includes reinvested dividends through DRP.
- (3) Options are exercisable 25% each year beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant, which is listed here.

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