### ZILAI DEBORAH G

Form 4

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ZILAI DEBORAH G			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> 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) 12/08/2008						Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) V.P., Subsidiary			
(Street) WALL, NJ 07719			Filed(Month/Day/Year)					A 	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tak	ole I - No	n-l	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired (A Transactioner Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				(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	12/08/2008			M		10,125	A	\$ 30.3667 (1)	34,143.66	D		
Common Stock	12/08/2008			S		10,125	D	\$ 38.958 (2) (3)	24,018.66 (4)	D		

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)		Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Sha
	Common Stock	\$ 30.6667	12/08/2008		M	10,125	05/17/2006(5)	05/17/2015	Common Stock	10,12

# **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

5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount

## **Signatures**

1. Title of 2.

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-in-Fact (POA on File)

12/09/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Price reflects change due to 3 for 2 stock split effective March 3, 2008.
- (2) The sale prices reported for these transactions range from \$38.780 to \$39.180 per share. The weighted average sale price for these transactions was \$38.958 per share.
- (3) The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide, upon written request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold and prices at which the transactions were effected.
- (4) Total includes shares held outright, shares held in New Jersey Resources Compensation Deferral Plan and shares held in Dividend Reinvestment Plan
- (5) Options are exercisable 25% each year beginning the first anniversary date of grant, which was 5/17/06.

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