NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP

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OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB** 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **DOWNES LAURENCE M** Issuer Symbol NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP (Check all applicable) [NJR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) X Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES 12/18/2014 Chairman, President & CEO CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting WALL, NJ 07719 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 7. Nature of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

13,477

(1)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units	(2)	12/18/2014		A	17,059	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	17,059
Performance Shares	<u>(4)</u>	12/18/2014		A	8,225	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	8,225
Performance Shares	<u>(5)</u>	12/18/2014		A	6,909	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	6,909

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
DOWNES LAURENCE M C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719	X		Chairman, President & CEO			
Signatures						
Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-in-Fact (POA on File)	12/18/201	14				
**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).
- Represents shares of performance-based restricted stock granted pursuant to the New Jersey Resources (NJR) 2007 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. Shares will vest in three equal installments on September 15, 2015, September 15, 2016, and September 15, 2017, upon certification by the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee that the performance goal for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2015 has been met.
- (2) Each deferred stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of NJR common stock.
- (3) Deferred stock unit award is payable subject to certain conditions on 10/15/2017.
- Represents performance shares granted pursuant to the NJR 2007 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. Performance shares will be vested and non-forfeitable upon certification by the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee that the applicable total shareholder return performance goal for the 36 month period ending September 30, 2017 has been met.
- Represents performance shares granted pursuant to the NJR 2007 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. Performance shares will be vested and non-forfeitable upon certification by the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee that the applicable net financial earnings performance goal for the 36 month period ending September 30, 2017 has been met.

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