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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(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 FIGUEROA RHONDA M Issuer Symbol NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP (Check all applicable) [NJR] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES 01/01/2008 Corporate Secretary 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 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price Code Common $3,267.882 \frac{(1)}{2}$ \$ 01/01/2008 D Α 1,000 50.02 (2) Stock Common Cust. for 18.582 (3) Ι Stock 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. Transactio 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Shares	<u>(4)</u>	01/01/2008		A	1,000	<u>(4)</u>	09/30/2010	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FIGUEROA RHONDA M						
C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION			Corporate			
1415 WYCKOFF ROAD			Secretary			
WALL, NJ 07719						

Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - POA on File 01/03/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** 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 restricted stock granted pursuant to the New Jersey Resources Corporation (NJR) 2007 Stock Award and Incentive (1) Plan. Shares will vest in equal annual installments over three years beginning on the first anniversary of the date of the grant, which will be January 1, 2009, and subject to the continued employment of the reporting person by NJR, except under certain conditions.
- (2) Total includes shares held in the NJR ESOP Plan that are accounted for on a unitized basis that reflects a calculated value, and reinvested dividends through the NJR Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) Total includes reinvested dividends through the NJR Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
 - Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive one share of NJR common stock. The performance shares will vest, in an amount ranging between 0 and 150 percent of the number of shares reported on this Form 4, at the end of a thirty-three month
- (4) performance period ending on September 30, 2010, and become payable in November 2010, only in the event that the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee determines that certain performance objectives are met. If performance does not meet the minimum threshold level, no performance shares will vest.

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