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November 13, 2006

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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 13, 2006

NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-2960 (Commission File Number)	72-1123385 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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3850 North Causeway, Suite 1770 Metairie, Louisiana (Address of principal executive offices)	70002 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (504) 838-8222

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

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ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

Effective November 6, 2006, the Board of Directors of Newpark Resources, Inc. appointed James W. McFarland to the Board. Dr. McFarland is expected to be named to the Special Litigation Committee of Newpark's Board of Directors.

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Dr. McFarland is the J. F. Jr. and Jessie Lee Seinsheimer Chair in Business and Professor of Finance and Economics in the A. B. Freeman School of Business at Tulane University. He also serves as the Executive Director of the Entergy-Tulane Energy Institute. Previously, Dr. McFarland was the Dean of the Freeman School from July 1, 1988, through June 30, 2005. Prior to joining the faculty at Tulane, he was the Dean of the College of Business Administration at the University of Houston. Dr. McFarland also has served on the faculties of Texas A&M University, the University of Louisiana-Lafayette, the University of Rhode Island, and the University of New Mexico. In addition to his academic appointments, he has worked as a researcher for the University of California Los Alamos National Laboratory and the Presidential Commission on the Nation's Water Resources. Dr. McFarland has served as a director and consultant to public companies and non-profit organizations, including Stewart Enterprises, Inc., Sizeler Property Investors, Inc., Petroleum Helicopters, Inc., and American Indemnity Financial Corporation, Inc. Dr. McFarland received a Ph.D. from Texas A&M University.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

Dated: November 13, 2006

By: /s/ James E. Braun

James E. Braun,
Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer