

Westhoven Stephen D  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ^ Westhoven Stephen D (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION, ^ 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD (Street)  WALL, ^ NJ ^ 07719 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2010	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP [NJR]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Senior V.P., Subsidiary	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	18,826.756	D	^

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Performance Shares	Â (1)	09/30/2012	Common Stock	951	\$ 0	D	Â
Performance Shares	Â (2)	09/30/2012	Common Stock	1,303	\$ 0	D	Â
Options (Right-to-Buy)	05/17/2006(3)	05/17/2015	Common Stock	5,125	\$ 30.3667	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Westhoven Stephen D C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719	Â	Â	Â Senior V.P., Subsidiary	Â

## Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-in-Fact (POA on File) 05/20/2010

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Represents performance shares granted pursuant to the NJR 2007 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. Performance shares will become vested and non-forfeitable upon certification by the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee that the applicable goals for the 36 month period ending September 30, 2012, have been met.
  - (2) Represents performance shares granted pursuant to the NJR 2007 Stock Award and Incentive Plan. Performance shares will become vested and non-forfeitable upon certification by the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee that the applicable goals for the 33 month period ending September 30, 2012, have been met.
  - (3) Options are exercisable 25% each year beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant, which was 5/17/2006.

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