#### **DOWNES LAURENCE M**

Form 4

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# FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DOWNES LAURENCE M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP [NJR]				I	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
	(First) (First		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/07/2005					Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President and CEO			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				A	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
WALL, NJ 07719  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person									porting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			3. 4. Securities Acquired (A Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			(D)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Inc Form: Be Direct (D) Ov	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common	02/07/2005			Code V M	Amount 30,000	(D)	Price \$	(Instr. 3 and 4) 0 (1)	D		
Stock Common Stock	02/07/2005			S	4,000	D	24.625 \$ 43.5	0	D		
Common Stock	02/07/2005			S	1,100	D	\$ 43.51	0	D		
Common Stock	02/07/2005			S	1,400	D	\$ 43.52	0	D		
	02/07/2005			S	2,900	D	\$ 43.53	0	D		

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Common Stock								
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	2,100	D	\$ 43.54	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	7,100	D	\$ 43.55	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	600	D	\$ 43.56	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	200	D	\$ 43.57	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	100	D	\$ 43.58	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	600	D	\$ 43.64	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	2,000	D	\$ 43.65	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	500	D	\$ 43.66	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	1,900	D	\$ 43.69	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	1,400	D	\$ 43.7	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	200	D	\$ 43.83	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	200	D	\$ 43.86	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	300	D	\$ 43.94	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	400	D	\$ 43.95	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	1,700	D	\$ 44	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	100	D	\$ 44.05	0	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2005	S	1,200	D	\$ 44.15	63,986.019 (2)	D	
Common Stock						2,905.373 (3)	I	Cust. for 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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisab	le and	7. Title and A
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orDerivative	Expiration Date		Underlying So
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year	·)	(Instr. 3 and 4
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)			
	Derivative				or Disposed of			
	Security				(D)			
					(Instr. 3, 4,			
					and 5)			
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
				Code V	(A) (D)			
Stock Option (Right-to-Buy)	\$ 24.625 (4)	02/07/2005		M	30,000 (5)	01/26/2000(6)	01/26/2009	Common Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DOWNES LAURENCE M C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719

Chairman, President and CEO

## **Signatures**

Oleta J. Harden - Attorney-In-Fact (POA on file)

02/09/2005

\*\*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).
- (1) This is form 2 of 2 these are a continution of form 1 of 2 submitted 2/9/05.
- (2) Total includes the following: 1) shares purchased with reinvested dividends in DRP; 2) shares held in company ESOP that are accounted for on a unitized basis and reflects calculated value.
- (3) Total includes reinvested dividends through DRP.
- (4) Price reflects change due to 3 for 2 stock split as of 3/1/02.
- (5) Option shares represent increase due to 3 for 2 stock split as of 3/1/02.
- (6) Options are exercisable 25% each year beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant, which is listed here.

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