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1 Name and Address of Departing Da

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person LYNCH CRAIG A				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORP [NJR]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2008					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
	WALL, NJ)7719						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										ly Owned		
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
	Common Stock	10/01/2008			A	675	A	\$ 0 (1)	8,391.062 (2)	D		
	Common Stock	10/01/2008			F	256 (3)	D	\$ 36.27 (4)	8,135.062 (2)	D		
	Common Stock								29.123 <u>(5)</u>	I	Cust. for Rel.	

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

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orNumber	Expiration Date		Amoun	it of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Exercisable	Exercisable Date	Title Number			
				G 1 17	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LYNCH CRAIG A C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719

Vice President, Subsidiary

Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-In-Fact (POA on File)

10/03/2008

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Performance Units previously reported on Form 4 that were issued pursuant to the Company's Long Term Plan vested over a 30 month period if certain performance goals were met, beginning in May 2005, with 50% that was paid on October 1, 2007, and 50% payable on

- (1) October 1, 2008, if still employed by Company. Performance Units convert 1 for 1 into shares of Company common stock. There is no purchase or sales price upon vesting of the Performance Units. Includes accrued dividends. Share amounts reflect an increase due to the 3-for-2 stock split as of 3/3/08.
- Includes actual number of shares that vested, including shares that receive dividends through the New Jersey Resources (NJR) Dividend (2) Reinvestment Plan (DRP), and shares held in the NJR ESOP and NJR 401(K) Plan that are accounted for on a unitized basis that reflect calculated values.
- (3) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligation.

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- (4) Represents the last reported sales price of the Company's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on October 1, 2008.
- (5) Share amount reflects an increase due to the 3-for-2 stock split as of 3/3/08 and includes reinvested dividends through NJR Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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