

Ellis Kathleen T
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Ellis Kathleen T

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/11/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Senior Vice President

C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION, 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

WALL, NJ 07719

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/11/2012		A	1,236.924 A \$ 0	24,766.524 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/11/2012		F	465.702 D \$ 47.73	24,300.822 (2) (3)	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 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. Transaction 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
Deferred Stock	\$ 0 ⁽⁴⁾	02/11/2012		M	1,236.924	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>			Common Stock	1,236.924

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ellis Kathleen T C/O NEW JERSEY RESOURCES CORPORATION 1415 WYCKOFF ROAD WALL, NJ 07719			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Rhonda M. Figueroa - Attorney-in-Fact (POA on File) 02/14/2012
__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) The reported transaction was a vesting of 1,236.924 deferred stock units on February 11, 2012, resulting in the issuance of 1,236.924 shares of common stock. No amount was payable in connection with the vesting or the common stock issuance.
- (2) Total includes an accrual of 188.165 shares of New Jersey Resources (NJR) Common Stock through the NJR Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRP).
- (3) Total includes shares held in the NJR 401(k) Plan that are accounted for on a unitized basis that reflects a calculated value, and shares purchased through the NJR DRP.
- (4) Each deferred stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of NJR common stock.
- (5) Deferred stock unit award is payable subject to certain conditions in four equal quarterly installments beginning November 11, 2011.

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