

NEWPARK RESOURCES INC
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Howes Paul L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NEWPARK RESOURCES INC [NR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

2700 RESEARCH FOREST DRIVE SUITE 100

05/22/2015

President and CEO

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77381

Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|--|
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
|---|--|----------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am Num Sha |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 9 | 05/22/2015 | A | | 156,514 | | (1) | 05/21/2025 | Common Stock | 15 |
| Performance Shares | \$ 0 | 05/22/2015 | A | | 91,350 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 91 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 05/22/2015 | A | | 136,138 | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 136 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Howes Paul L 2700 RESEARCH FOREST DRIVE SUITE 100 THE WOODLANDS, TX 77381 | X | | President and CEO | |

Signatures

By: Jennifer F Wilson For: Paul L Howes
Date: 05/27/2015

**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 options become exercisable in increments of one-third of the shares on June 1 of each year.

Performance restricted stock units which will vest in three years upon the Company's achievement of certain levels of total shareholder return (TSR) relative to a pre-determined industry peer group. The total in Column 5 is equal to the maximum number of shares that may be earned under this award.

(3) The restricted stock units vest in increments of one-third of the shares on June 1 of each year.

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