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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Howes Paul L</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 2700 RESEARCH FOREST DRIVE SUITE 100  (Street) THE WOODLANDS TX 77381  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NEWPARK RESOURCES INC [ NR ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>President and CEO</b>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2013	
		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

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		400 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.021	494,968	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		400 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.025	494,568	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		199 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.035	494,369	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		6,955 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.04	487,414	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		183 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.045	487,231	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		61,618 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.05	425,613	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		6,191 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.055	419,422	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		26,350 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.06	393,072	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		474 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.065	392,598	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		4,464 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.07	388,134	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2013		S		20,801 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$9.03	367,333	D	
Common Stock								25,000	I	by Trust

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$8.08	03/06/2013		M			343,800	(2)	03/22/2013	Common Stock	343,800	\$0.0	31,200	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The securities were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Plan adopted by the Reporting Person in order to exercise an option grant which is expiring on March 22, 2013.
- The shares underlying the option vested annually over three years beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant. The option became fully exercisable on March 22, 2009.

By: Jennifer F Wilson For: Paul L Howes 03/07/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* 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).

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