# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form 8-K

# Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): 04/02/2007

# Newpark Resources, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 1-2960

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 72-1123385 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2700 Research Forest Drive, Suite 100
The Woodlands, Texas 77381
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

281-465-6800

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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# Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

Gregg Piontek, age 36, has been elected Controller and Chief Accounting Officer of Newpark Resources, Inc. ("Newpark") effective April 2, 2007. From 2006 until March 2007, Mr. Piontek served as Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer of Stewart & Stevenson LLC. From 2001 to 2006, he held the positions of Assistant Corporate Controller and Controller, Power Products Division at Stewart & Stevenson Services, Inc.

There is no written employment contract between Mr. Piontek and Newpark which guarantees Mr. Piontek's term of employment, salary or other incentives, all of which are entirely at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Mr. Piontek is eligible to participate in Newpark's incentive compensation plan and he is also eligible to receive annual stock options and performance-based awards under Newpark's stock incentive plan as determined in the discretion of the Compensation Committee. Mr. Piontek is also eligible to participate in Newpark's broad-based benefit programs generally available to it s salaried employees, including health, life, disability and other insurance and benefits, 401(k) Plan, vacation, paid sick leave and other employee benefits.

There is no other arrangement or understanding between Mr. Piontek and any other person pursuant to which he was selected as an officer. Mr. Piontek has no family relationship to any other executive officer or director of Newpark.

Eric Wingerter, who formerly served in this position, was named as Assistant Controller effective as of April 2, 2007 and will serve in this capacity until his departure from Newpark in May, 2007.

A copy of a news release relating to the personnel change is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated by reference to this Item 5.02.

### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 -- Press Release dated April 5, 2007.

#### Signature(s)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Newpark Resources, Inc.

Date: April 05, 2007 By: /s/ James E. Braun

James E. Braun Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

# **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit No. Description

EX-99.1 Press Release dated April 5, 2007.



# NEWS RELEASE

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## NEWPARK RESOURCES NAMES NEW CONTROLLER

### AND CHIEF ACCOUNTING OFFICER

THE WOODLANDS, TX - APRIL 5, 2007 - Newpark Resources, Inc. (NYSE: NR) announced today that Gregg Piontek, age 36, has been named Controller and Chief Accounting Officer, effective April 2, 2007.

Paul Howes, Newpark's President and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "We are extremely pleased to welcome Gregg to our finance team as we continue to attract quality and experienced talent to Newpark. He brings us 15 years of professional finance and accounting skills, and we look forward to his contribution and leadership."

Prior to joining Newpark, Mr. Piontek was Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer of Stewart & Stevenson LLC, where, as a member of the executive team, he directed all start-up and purchase accounting functions related to the purchase of assets from Stewart & Stevenson Services, Inc. and served as lead executive financial officer for their \$150 million public debt offering. Previously, from 2001 to 2006, he held the positions of Assistant Corporate Controller and Controller, Power Products Division at Stewart & Stevenson Services, Inc. Prior to that, Mr. Piontek served in various financial roles at General Electric, CNH Global N.V. and Deloitte & Touche LLP. Mr. Piontek is a Certified Public Accountant and received a Master of Business Administration from Marquette University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Arizona State University.

Newpark Resources, Inc. is a worldwide provider of drilling fluids, environmental waste treatment solutions, and temporary worksites and access roads for oilfield and other commercial markets. For more information, visit our website at www.newpark.com.

## Forward-looking Statements

This news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act that are based on management's current expectations, estimates and projections. All statements that address expectations or projections about the future, including statements about Newpark's strategy for growth, product development, market position, expected expenditures and financial results are forward-looking statements. Some of the forward-looking statements may be identified by words like "expects," "anticipates," "plans," "intends," "projects," "indicates," and similar expressions. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Many factors, including those discussed more fully elsewhere in this release and in documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Newpark, particularly its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006, as well as o thers, could cause results to differ materially from those stated. These factors include, but are not limited to, the results of several class action and derivative lawsuits against Newpark and certain of our current and former directors and former officers; the results of the internal investigation into accounting matters by Newpark's Audit Committee; changes in the laws, regulations, policies and economic conditions, including inflation, interest and foreign currency exchange rates, of countries in which Newpark does business; competitive pressures; successful integration of structural changes, including restructuring plans, acquisitions, divestitures and alliances; cost of raw materials, research and development of new products, including regulatory approval and market acceptance; and seasonality of sales of Newpark products. Newpark's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission can be obtained at no charge at www.sec.gov, as well as through our website at www.newpark.com.