# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2004

Commission File No. 1-2960

# Newpark Resources, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**3850 N. Causeway, Suite 1770 Metairie, Louisiana** (Address of principal executive offices)

(504) 838-8222

(Registrant's telephone number)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes 🗹 No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes 🗵 🛛 No o

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock as of the latest practicable date.

Common stock, \$0.01 par value: 83.8 million shares at April 30, 2004.

72-1123385 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> **70002** (Zip Code)

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# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(Unaudited)

(In Thousands, except share data)	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,795	\$ 4,692
Restricted cash	_	8,029
Trade accounts receivable, less allowance of \$2,723 in 2004 and \$2,920 in 2003	103,027	99,948
Notes and other receivables	6,289	5,428
Inventories	79,338	74,846
Deferred tax asset	9,373	8,698
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	9,716	8,510
Total current assets	211,538	210,151
Property, plant and equipment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation	203,023	206,238
Goodwill	115,511	115,869
Deferred tax asset	7,250	8,778
Other intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization	14,591	14,947
Other assets	23,574	19,517
	\$ 575,487	\$ 575,500
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Foreign bank lines of credit	\$ 9,651	\$ 10,610
Current maturities of long-term debt	3,242	3,259
Accounts payable	37,871	40,479
Accrued liabilities	33,191	21,894
Total current liabilities	83,955	76,242
Long-term debt, less current portion	174,804	183,600
Other noncurrent liabilities	1,606	1,697
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized, 80,000 and 120,000 shares		
outstanding at March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively	20,000	30,000
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized, 83,802,232 and 81,073,222 shares		
outstanding at March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively	838	811
Paid-in capital	401,189	390,788
Unearned restricted stock compensation	(720)	(803)
Accumulated other comprehensive income	4,266	5,033
Retained deficit	(110,451)	(111,868)
Total stockholders' equity	315,122	313,961
	\$ 575,487	\$ 575,500

See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

#### **Consolidated Statements of Income**

For the Three Month Periods Ended March 31, (Unaudited)

(In Thousands, except share data)	2004	2003
Revenues	\$104,309	\$90,577
Operating costs and expenses:		
Cost of services provided	65,988	58,021
Operating costs	30,532	25,389
	96,520	83,410
General and administrative expenses	1,545	1,286
Operating income	6,244	5,881
Foreign currency exchange (gain) loss	108	(277)
Interest income	(121)	(325)
Interest expense	3,572	3,792
Income before income taxes	2,685	2,691
Provision for income taxes	1,007	996
Net income	1,678	1,695
Less:		
Preferred stock dividends	263	471
Net income applicable to common and common equivalent shares	\$ 1,415	\$ 1,224
Basic and diluted income per common and common equivalent share	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.02

See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

# **Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income** For the Three Month Periods Ended March 31, (Unaudited)

(In Thousands)	2004	2003
Net income	\$1,678	\$1,695
Other comprehensive income (loss):		
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(767)	2,052
Comprehensive income	\$ 911	\$3,747

See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

For the Three Month Periods Ended March 31, (Unaudited)

(In Thousands)	2004	2003
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 1,678	\$ 1,695
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operations:		
Depreciation and amortization	5,284	5,290
Provision (benefit) for deferred income taxes	(360)	(113)
Gain on sale of assets	(107)	(306)
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease restricted cash	8,029	—
Decrease (increase) in accounts and notes receivable	(6,247)	(3,083)
Increase in inventories	(4,492)	(13,567)
Increase in other assets	(2,596)	(1,386)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	(2,402)	6,841
Increase (decrease) in accrued liabilities and other	12,391	6,823
Net cash provided by operations	11,178	2,194
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(2,672)	(6,556)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	185	352
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,487)	(6,204)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net borrowings (payments) on lines of credit	(9,302)	9,821
Principal payments on notes payable and long-term debt	(418)	(1,050)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options and ESPP	132	_
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(9,588)	8,771
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(897)	4,761
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	4,692	2,725
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	3,795	\$ 7,486

See Accompanying Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements

#### NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

#### NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Note 1 — Interim Financial Statements

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments necessary to present fairly the financial position of Newpark Resources, Inc. ("Newpark") as of March 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the three month periods ended March 31, 2004 and 2003. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. These interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the December 31, 2003 audited financial statements and related notes filed on Form 10-K. The results of operations for the three month period ended March 31, 2004 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the entire year.

#### Note 2 — Earnings Per Share

The following table presents the reconciliation of the numerator and denominator for calculating income per share in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("FAS") 128 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

		e Months March 31,
	2004	2003
Income applicable to common and common equivalent shares	\$ 1,415	\$ 1,224
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding Add:	82,903	77,733
Net effect of dilutive stock options and warrants	234	59
Adjusted weighted average number of common shares outstanding	83,137	77,792
Basic and diluted income applicable to common and common equivalent shares	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.02

Basic net income per share was calculated by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. For the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003, Newpark had dilutive stock options and warrants of approximately 1,280,000 shares and 474,000 shares, respectively, which were assumed exercised using the treasury stock method. The resulting net effects of stock options and warrants were used in calculating diluted income per share for these periods.

Options and warrants to purchase a total of approximately 8.8 million shares and 10.4 million shares of common stock were outstanding during the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted income per share because they were anti-dilutive.



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The net effects of the assumed conversion of the Series B and Series C Preferred Stock have been excluded from the computation of diluted income per share for all periods presented because the effects would be anti-dilutive.

#### Note 3 — Stock-Based Compensation

At March 31, 2003 and 2004, Newpark maintained five stock-based compensation plans, including three stock option plans, a deferred compensation plan and a long-term incentive plan. Newpark applies Accounting Principles Board Opinion 25 ("APB 25") and related Interpretations in accounting for its stockbased compensation plans. In accordance with this guidance, no compensation cost has been recognized for Newpark's stock option plans as the exercise price of all stock options granted thereunder is equal to the fair value at the date of grant. Compensation expense is recorded for Newpark's deferred compensation plan and long-term incentive plan. Had compensation costs for all of Newpark's stock-based compensation plans been determined based on the fair value at the grant dates for awards under those plans consistent with the method of Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 123, Newpark's net income and net income per share would have been reduced to the pro forma amounts indicated below:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
(In thousands, except per share data)	2004	2003
Income applicable to common and common equivalent shares:		
As reported	\$1,415	\$1,224
Add recorded stock compensation expense, net of related taxes	51	28
Deduct stock based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards, net of		
related taxes	(419)	(549)
Pro forma	\$1,047	\$ 703
Net income per share:		_
Basic:		
As reported	\$02	\$02
Pro forma	\$.01	\$.01
Diluted:		
As reported	\$ .02	\$.02
Pro forma	\$.01	\$.01

#### Note 4 — Preferred Stock

In January 2004, the holder of Series B Preferred Stock converted a total of 40,000 shares of the Series B Preferred Stock in accordance with its terms. The converted shares of Series B Preferred Stock had a total stated value of \$10.0 million. In connection with this conversion, Newpark issued a total of 2.6 million shares of its common stock, valued at the conversion price of \$3.804, and cancelled the 40,000 shares of Series B Preferred Stock.

#### Note 5 — Accounts Receivable

Included in trade accounts receivable at March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003 are (in thousands):

	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
Trade receivables	\$ 94,495	\$ 89,801
Unbilled revenues	11,255	13,067
Gross trade receivables	105,750	102,868
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(2,723)	(2,920)
Net trade receivables	\$103,027	\$ 99,948

#### Note 6 — Inventories

Newpark's inventories consisted of the following items at March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003 (in thousands):

	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
Finished goods:		
Composite mats	\$22,177	\$21,307
Raw materials and components:		
Drilling fluids raw material and components	53,755	47,856
Logs	1,929	3,982
Supplies	291	308
Other	1,186	1,393
Total raw materials and components	57,161	53,539
Total inventory	\$79,338	\$74,846

#### Note 7 — Long-Term Debt

As of March 31, 2004, Newpark had outstanding \$125 million of unsecured senior subordinated notes (the "Notes") which mature on December 15, 2007. Interest on the Notes accrues at the rate of 8-5/8% per annum and is payable semi-annually on June 15 and December 15.

On February 25, 2004, Newpark's bank credit facility was amended and restated and converted into an asset-based lending facility (the "New Credit Facility"). The New Credit Facility matures on February 25, 2007. Under the New Credit Facility, Newpark can borrow up to \$85 million in the form of \$15 million in term debt and \$70 million in revolving debt. At March 31, 2004, \$14.8 million was outstanding under the term portion of the New Credit Facility. Availability under the revolving portion of the New Credit Facility is based on a percentage of Newpark's eligible consolidated accounts receivable and

inventory as defined in the New Credit Facility. At March 31, 2004, total availability under the revolving portion of the New Credit Facility was \$62.6 million. At March 31, 2004, \$13.2 million in letters of credit were issued and outstanding and \$32.6 million was outstanding under the revolving portion of the New Credit Facility, leaving \$16.8 million of availability under the revolving portion of the New Credit Facility at that date. The New Credit Facility bears interest at either a specified prime rate (4.0% at March 31, 2004), or the LIBOR rate (1.1% at March 31, 2004), in each case plus a spread determined quarterly based upon a fixed charge coverage ratio. The weighted average interest rates on the outstanding balances under the respective credit facilities for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 were 5.34% and 6.09%, respectively.

The New Credit Facility is secured by substantially all domestic assets of Newpark and its domestic subsidiaries. The New Credit Facility contains a fixed charge coverage ratio covenant and a tangible net worth covenant. In addition, the New Credit Facility includes a requirement that Newpark maintain a minimum excess availability of \$5 million from May 16, 2004 to June 16, 2004.

#### Note 8 — New Accounting Standards

In January 2003, the FASB issued Financial Interpretation Number 46 ("FIN 46") "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities," which clarifies the application of Accounting Research Bulletin 51, "Consolidated Financial Statements", to certain entities (called variable interest entities) in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties. The disclosure requirements of FIN 46 were effective for all financial statements issued after January 31, 2003. The consolidation requirements apply to all variable interest entities created after January 31, 2003. In addition, public companies were required to apply the consolidation requirements to variable interest entities that existed prior to February 1, 2003 and remained in existence as of the beginning of annual or interim periods beginning after March 15, 2004.

Management has completed its assessment of the impact of FIN 46 on the reporting for Newpark's two variable interest entities. These variable interest entities consist of the 49% interest in a joint venture with the leading producer of wooden mats ("MOCTX") and the 49% interest in the Loma Company, LLC ("LOMA"), the producer of DuraBase<sup>™</sup> composite mats. Based on management's assessments, it was determined that the Company is not the primary beneficiary of MOCTX and thus Newpark continues to account for this investment under the equity method. Based on management's assessments, it was determined that the Company is the primary beneficiary of LOMA. However, Newpark continues to account for its 49% investment in LOMA under the equity method because LOMA's financial position and results of operations are not material to the consolidated financial statements of the Company. In addition, due to the ongoing dispute and pricing litigation discussed in Note 11, Newpark currently does not have access to and has been unable to obtain current and reliable financial information as of and for the period ended March 31, 2004. Based on the latest available financial information on LOMA, which is as of December 31, 2003, LOMA would have represented less than 2% of Newpark's consolidated total assets as of December 31, 2003. Substantially all of the operating activity of LOMA is with Newpark or one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries and this activity

would be eliminated in consolidation. Newpark's investment in LOMA as of March 31, 2004 was \$1.2 million.

Newpark has issued a guaranty of certain debt obligations of LOMA. This guaranty is backed by a letter of credit. The amount of this guaranty as of March 31, 2004 was \$8.0 million. The LOMA plant suspended production in May 2003 and has not resumed operations. The ability of LOMA to continue to repay its debt obligations is dependent upon sales of composite mats. In order to allow LOMA to service its debt, Newpark has agreed to purchase from LOMA mats remaining in its inventory at December 31, 2003 during 2004. Should an increase in Newpark's composite mat sales not occur, LOMA would not restart production and may seek several alternatives to continue to support its debt service requirements. These alternatives could include, among others, new equity infusions from the partners or additional third-party financing. If additional capital could not be obtained, Newpark's guarantee may be called upon to fulfill LOMA's debt obligation.

#### Note 9 — Segment Data

Effective January 1, 2004, Newpark implemented a financial reporting change in its Canadian operations. As a result of this change, the operating results for the environmental services business unit in Canada are now reported as a component of the E&P waste disposal segment, rather than as a component of the fluids sales and engineering segment. In addition, a portion of the operating costs of the Canadian business unit are now reported as a component of G&A expenses. All segment information for the prior year has been restated to reflect these reporting changes. Summarized financial information concerning Newpark's reportable segments is shown in the following table (dollars in thousands):

		Three Months Ended March 31,		
	2004	2003		
Revenues by segment:				
E&P waste disposal	\$ 17,180	\$16,572		
Fluids sales & engineering	66,235	50,522		
Mat & integrated services	20,894	23,483		
Total revenues	\$104,309	\$90,577		
Operating income (loss) by segment:		_		
E&P waste disposal	\$ 2,808	\$ 2,608		
Fluids sales & engineering	5,412	2,905		
Mat & integrated services	(431)	1,654		
Total by segment	7,789	7,167		
General and administrative expenses	1,545	1,286		
Total operating income	\$ 6,244	\$ 5,881		

The amounts above are shown net of intersegment transfers.

#### Note 10 — Condensed Consolidating Financial Information

The Notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed, on a joint and several basis, by certain wholly-owned subsidiaries of Newpark. Each of the guarantees is an unsecured obligation of the guarantor and ranks *pari passu* with the guarantees provided by and the obligations of such guarantor subsidiaries under the New Credit Facility. Each guarantee also ranks *pari passu* with all existing and future unsecured indebtedness of such guarantor for borrowed money that is not, by its terms, expressly subordinated in right of payment to such guarantee. The net proceeds from the issuance of the Notes were used by Newpark to repay all outstanding revolving indebtedness and for general corporate purposes, including working capital, capital expenditures and acquisitions of businesses.

The following condensed consolidating balance sheets as of March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003 and the condensed consolidating statements of income and cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003, should be read in conjunction with the notes to these consolidated financial statements (in thousands).

	Parent Company Only	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET AS OF MARCH 31, 2004					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 721	\$ (1,269)	\$ 4,343	\$ —	\$ 3,795
Accounts receivable, net	_	73,116	32,857	(2,946)	103,027
Inventories		64,380	14,958	—	79,338
Other current assets	11,627	8,790	4,961		25,378
Total current assets	12,348	145,017	57,119	(2,946)	211,538
Investment in subsidiaries	429,239	—	—	(429,239)	_
Property and equipment, net	5,796	192,076	5,151		203,023
Goodwill	_	95,114	20,397	_	115,511
Other intangibles, net		11,997	2,594	—	14,591
Other assets, net	39,771	7,199	646	(16,792)	30,824
Total assets	\$ 487,154	\$451,403	\$85,907	\$(448,977)	\$ 575,487
Current liabilities:					
Foreign bank lines of credit	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 9,651	\$ —	\$ 9,651
Current maturities of long-term debt		3,242	_	_	3,242
Accounts payable	221	23,554	17,042	(2,946)	37,871
Accrued liabilities	6,786	15,848	10,557		33,191
Total current liabilities	7,007	42,644	37,250	(2,946)	83,955
Long-term debt	169,157	4,074	18,365	(16,792)	174,804
Other non-current liabilities	134	—	1,472	—	1,606
Stockholders' Equity:					
Preferred stock	20,000	—	—	—	20,000
Common stock	838	808	12,677	(13,485)	838
Paid-in capital	401,189	416,780	11,162	(427,942)	401,189
Unearned restricted stock	(720)	—	_	_	(720)
Accumulated comprehensive income		_	4,266		4,266
Retained deficit	(110,451)	(12,903)	715	12,188	(110,451)
Total stockholders' equity	310,856	404,685	28,820	(429,239)	315,122
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 487,154	\$451,403	\$85,907	\$(448,977)	\$ 575,487
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	Parent Company Only	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEET					
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2003					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 179	\$ (485)	\$ 4,998	\$ —	\$ 4,692
Restricted cash	8,029		_	_	8,029
Accounts receivable, net	—	70,446	32,536	(3,034)	99,948
Inventories	_	58,877	15,969		74,846
Other current assets	11,550	10,230	3,356	(2,500)	22,636
Total current assets	19,758	139,068	56,859	(5,534)	210,151
Investment in subsidiaries	425,449		—	(425,449)	—
Property and equipment, net	5,583	193,054	7,601	—	206,238
Goodwill	—	95,114	20,755	—	115,869
Identifiable intangibles,net	—	12,320	2,627	—	14,947
Other assets, net	40,048	6,065	(450)	(17,368)	28,295
Total assets	\$ 490,838	\$445,621	\$ 87,392	\$(448,351)	\$ 575,500
Current liabilities:					
Foreign bank lines of credit	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 10,610	\$ —	\$ 10,610
Current portion of long-term debt	—	3,259	—		3,259
Accounts payable	534	24,048	18,931	(3,034)	40,479
Accrued liabilities	3,742	10,787	9,865	(2,500)	21,894
Total current liabilities	4,276	38,094	39,406	(5,534)	76,242
Long-term debt	177,500	1,018	16,841	(11,759)	183,600
Other liabilities	134	(645)	2,783	(575)	1,697
Preferred stock	30,000		—	_	30,000
Common stock	811	2,613	12,670	(15,283)	811
Paid-in capital	390,788	425,504	22,116	(447,620)	390,788
Unearned restricted stock	(803)		—		(803)
Cumulative translation adjustment	—		5,033	_	5,033
Retained deficit	(111,868)	(20,963)	(11,457)	32,420	(111,868)
Total stockholders' equity	308,928	407,154	28,362	(435,516)	313,961
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 490,838	\$445,621	\$ 87,392	\$(453,384)	\$ 575,500
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	Parent Company Only	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2004					
Revenue	\$ —	\$79,053	\$25,256	\$ —	\$104,309
Cost of services provided	—	51,881	14,107	—	65,988
Operating costs	—	22,668	7,863	_	30,532
		74,550	21,970		96,520
General and administrative expense	1,423		122		1,545
Operating income (loss)	(1,423)	4,503	3,164		6,244
Other (income) expense	(34)	(1,459)	84	(1,395)	(13)
Interest expense	3,397	1,530	42	1,395	3,572
Income (loss) before income taxes	(4,786)	4,433	3,038		2,685
Income taxes (benefit)	(2,045)	1,685	1,367	—	1,007
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries	4,419			(4,419)	
Net income	\$ 1,678	\$ 2,748	\$ 1,671	\$(4,419)	\$ 1,678

	Parent Company Only	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2003					
Revenue	\$ —	\$71,121	\$19,590	\$ (134)	\$90,577
Cost of services provided		47,366	10,789	(134)	58,021
Operating costs		18,219	7,170	—	25,389
	_	65,585	17,959	(134)	83,410
General and administrative expense	1,195		91		1,286
Operating income (loss)	(1,195)	5,536	1,540		5,881
Other (income) expense	(120)	(142)	(340)	—	(602)
Interest expense	3,490	217	85	—	3,792
Income (loss) before income taxes	(4,565)	5,461	1,795		2,691
Income taxes (benefit)	(1,840)	2,021	815	—	996
Equity in earnings of subsidiaries	4,420			(4,420)	
Net income	\$ 1,695	\$ 3,440	\$ 980	\$(4,420)	\$ 1,695

	Parent Company Only	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2004					
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$(14,679)	\$ 24,806	\$1,051	\$ —	\$11,178
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities:					
Capital expenditures, net of sales proceeds	(266)	(1,887)	(334)	_	(2,487)
Investments	23,698	(23,285)	(413)		
	23,432	(25,172)	(747)	_	(2,487)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities:					
Net borrowings (payments on) lines of credit, notes payable					
and long-term debt	(8,343)	(418)	(959)	_	(9,720)
Proceeds from stock options and ESPP	132	—	_		132
	(8,211)	(418)	(959)		(9,588)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents:	542	(784)	(655)	_	(897)
Beginning of period	179	(485)	4,998		4,692
End of period	\$ 721	\$ (1,269)	\$4,343	\$ —	\$ 3,795
	Parent		Non-	_	
	Company Only	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2003				Eliminations	Consolidated
CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED				Eliminations	Consolidated \$ 2,194
CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2003	Only	Subsidiaries	Subsidiaries		
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CASH FLOWS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2003 Net cash provided by operating activities Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities:	<u>Only</u> \$(3,486)	Subsidiaries	Subsidiaries		\$ 2,194
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#### Note 11 — Legal Matters

Newpark, through a consolidated subsidiary, purchases composite mats from the Loma Company, LLC ("LOMA"), which manufactures the mats under an exclusive license granted by OLS Consulting Services, Inc. ("OLS"). As previously reported in Newpark's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, litigation is pending concerning the pricing formula that LOMA utilizes to invoice Newpark for mats. The pricing litigation was tried in November 2003. Filing of post-trial briefs was completed March 15, 2003 and a judgment is expected at any time.

Also as previously reported in Newpark's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, in response to the filing of a lawsuit by Newpark Drilling Fluids, L.L.C., one of Newpark's subsidiaries, certain of the individual defendants in the lawsuit filed stockholder derivative claims with respect to alleged misconduct as a cross-complaint to the lawsuit. Newpark has filed a motion to stay and abate the shareholder derivative claims, and that motion is scheduled to be heard in court on May 19, 2004.

Management does not believe that these matters will have a material adverse affect on Newpark's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

ITEM 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion of our financial condition, results of operations, liquidity and capital resources should be read together with our "Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements" and "Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements" as well as our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003.

#### **Operating Environment and Recent Developments**

Our operating results depend in large measure on oil and gas drilling activity levels in the markets we serve, as well as on the depth of drilling, which governs the revenue potential of each well. These levels, in turn, depend on oil and gas commodities pricing, inventory levels and product demand. Rig count data is the most widely accepted indicator of drilling activity. Key average rig count data for the last five quarters is listed in the following table:

	1Q03	2Q03	3Q03	4Q03	1Q04
U.S Rig Count	897	1,028	1,088	1,109	1,118
Gulf Coast market	218	225	228	222	217
Gulf Coast market to total	24.3%	21.9%	21.0%	20.1%	19.4%
Canadian Rig Count	492	199	385	407	528

#### Source: Baker Hughes Incorporated

#### Key Market Developments

Our primary Gulf Coast oilfield market includes: (1) South Louisiana Land; (2) Texas Railroad Commission Districts 2 and 3; (3) Louisiana and Texas Inland Waters; and (4) Offshore Gulf of Mexico. In addition to our primary Gulf Coast Market, we operate in several other key markets including Canada, the U.S. central region (including the U.S. mid-continent and U.S. Rocky Mountain regions), west Texas and areas surrounding the Mediterranean Sea. Unlike our primary Gulf Coast oilfield market, the majority of these markets experienced significant growth in the first quarter of 2004 as compared to the first quarter of 2003. Revenues by key markets are as follows (dollars in millions):

		Three months ended March 31,				
	2004	2004		03	2004 vs. 2003	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
Gulf Coast Oilfield	\$ 48.1	46%	\$51.8	58%	\$ (3.7)	(7)%
Canada	14.4	14	13.0	14	1.4	11
U.S. Central	24.0	23	11.9	13	12.1	101
Mediterranean	10.8	10	6.5	7	4.3	68
Other	7.1	7	7.4	8	(0.4)	(5)
Total	\$104.3	100%	\$90.6	100%	\$13.7	15%

Our primary Gulf Coast oilfield market accounted for approximately 46% of first quarter 2004 revenues, as compared to 58% of first quarter 2003 revenues. As recently as

1997, the Gulf Coast oilfield market accounted for 97% of total revenues. The decline in the percentage of Gulf Coast revenues is the result of relatively flat Gulf Coast market activity in the comparable periods, as compared to growth in most other markets.

The Canadian market accounted for approximately 14% of first quarter 2004 and 2003 revenues, with total Canadian market revenues increasing 11% on a 7% increase in rig activity. The increase in Canadian rig activity over the prior year reflects the improving commodity gas market, which has been driven by higher pricing. Much of the terrain throughout the oil and gas producing region of Canada presents soil stability and access problems similar to those encountered in the marsh areas of the U.S. Gulf Coast region. Much of the drilling activity in Canada has historically been conducted when winter temperatures freeze the soil and stabilize it, allowing safe access. Quarterly fluctuations in the Canadian rig count generally reflect the seasonal nature of drilling activity related to these access issues.

The U.S. Central region, composed of the U.S. Rocky Mountains, Oklahoma and West Texas, accounted for approximately 23% of first quarter 2004 revenues, as compared to 13% of first quarter 2003 revenues. Revenue growth in 2004 is primarily associated with the increase in rig activity and an increase in market share. The increase in market share is principally related to growth in the acceptance of our proprietary drilling fluids products and a reduction in the number of competitors in our liquid mud and fluids transportation business unit.

Our Mediterranean operations were acquired in May 2002. These operations accounted for approximately 10% of first quarter 2004 revenues, as compared to 7% of first quarter 2003 revenues. This acquisition provided new market opportunities in the Mediterranean, Eastern Europe and North Africa.

#### Other Market Trends

Current short-term industry forecasts suggest that we could see a slight increase in the number of rigs active in our primary Gulf Coast market, but this increase is expected to develop slowly as customers react to the changing risk profile of the market. We anticipate continued market penetration of critical, deep water and geologically deeper wells with our DeepDrill<sup>™</sup> and FlexDrill<sup>™</sup> families of products, which should help to provide revenue growth as the market recovers.

Current long-term industry forecasts anticipate difficulty in meeting growing demand for natural gas, predicated upon improving economic conditions. In addition, current gas reserves are being depleted at a rate faster than replacement through current drilling activities. Because many shallow fields in the Gulf Coast market have been heavily exploited, and because of improved economics, producers are increasing drilling depth to reach the larger gas reserves. We expect gas-drilling activity to be increasingly associated with deeper, more costly wells. We view this trend as favorable to demand for product offerings in all of our segments.

#### **Results of Operations**

Effective January 1, 2004, Newpark implemented a change in the financial reporting of its Canadian operations. As a result of this change, the operating results for the

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environmental services business unit in Canada are now included as a component of the E&P waste disposal segment, rather than within the fluids sales and engineering segment. In addition, a portion of the operating costs of the Canadian business unit are now reported as a component of G&A expenses. All segment information for the prior year has been restated to reflect these reporting changes. Summarized financial information concerning Newpark's reportable segments is shown in the following table (dollars in millions):

		Three Months Ended March 31,		Increase/(Decrease)	
	2004	2003	\$	%	
Revenues by segment:					
E&P waste disposal	\$ 17.2	\$16.6	\$ 0.6	4%	
Fluids sales & engineering	66.2	50.5	15.7	31	
Mat & integrated services	20.9	23.5	(2.6)	(11)	
Total revenues	\$104.3	\$90.6	\$13.7	15%	
Operating income (loss) by segment:		_	_		
E&P waste disposal	\$ 2.8	\$ 2.6	\$ 0.2	8%	
Fluids sales & engineering	5.4	2.9	2.5	86	
Mat & integrated services	(.4)	1.7	(2.1)	(126)	
Total by segment	7.8	7.2	0.6	9	
General and administrative expenses	1.6	1.3	0.3	20	
Total operating income	\$ 6.2	\$ 5.9	\$ 0.3	6%	

#### The amounts above are shown net of intersegment transfers.

#### Revenues

E&P Waste Disposal: Total revenue for this segment consists of the following for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 (dollars in millions):

				2003
	2004	2003	\$	%
E&P Waste Gulf Coast	\$ 9.9	\$11.6	\$(1.7)	(15)%
E&P Waste Non-Gulf Coast	5.5	3.9	1.6	41
NORM	0.6	0.6	—	
Industrial	1.2	0.5	0.7	140
Total	\$17.2	\$16.6	\$ 0.6	4%

E&P waste Gulf Coast revenues declined \$1.7 million, or 15%, on an 8% decline in waste volumes received and a decline in the average revenue per barrel resulting from a change in mix of waste received. During the first quarter of 2004, we received 802,000 barrels of E&P waste in the Gulf Coast market, compared to 871,000 barrels in the comparable period in 2003. The average revenue per barrel in the Gulf Coast market declined 7%, to \$12.52, as compared to an average of \$12.94 in 2002. We believe that improvement in the Gulf Coast E&P waste market will likely trail other business segments

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because its results are more closely tied to Gulf Coast rig activity, which is not expected to increase significantly during 2004.

The decline in Gulf Coast revenues was offset by increases in revenue within the western Canadian market and the start-up of operations serving Wyoming's Jonah-Pinedale trend, which began operations in early 2003. Our industrial disposal revenue also contributed to the increase in segment revenue. The increase in industrial revenues was principally due to disposal of waste received in connection with a special project for one customer. These revenues are not expected to recur in the next several quarters.

Fluids Sales and Engineering: Total revenue by region for this segment was as follows for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 (dollars in millions):

			2004 vs. 20	03
	2004	2003	\$	%
Gulf Coast	\$22.7	\$22.6	\$ 0.1	0%
U.S. Central	22.6	11.3	11.3	100
Canada	8.9	9.2	(0.3)	(3)
Other	1.2	1.0	.2	20
Total North American	55.4	44.1	11.3	26
Mediterranean	10.8	6.4	4.4	69
Total	\$66.2	\$50.5	\$15.7	31%

The average number of rigs we serviced in the North American market increased by 7%, from 154 in the first quarter of 2003 to 164 in the first quarter of 2004. Average annual revenue per rig in the North American market increased by 17%, from \$1.1 million in the first quarter of 2003 to \$1.3 million in the first quarter of 2004.

Revenue in our primary Gulf Coast market for the first quarter of 2004 was substantially unchanged as compared to the prior year due to the flat rig count in this market. We have significantly improved our market position in key drilling fluid customer relationships in this market and believe that those customers will be increasingly active in the Gulf Coast market during the remainder of the year, though the total number of active rigs is not expected to increase. Several key Gulf of Mexico projects have recently started, and we expect to see progress in this market during the remaining quarters of 2004.

Revenues in the U.S. Central region doubled in the first quarter of 2004 as compared to 2003. We serviced an average of 84 rigs in this region in the first quarter of 2004, as compared to 51 in the first quarter of 2003, an increase of 65%. The average number of rigs operating in this region increased 40% from 310 rigs in the first quarter of 2003 to 435 in the first quarter of 2004. The difference between the increase in the number of rigs serviced in this region and the number of rigs active in the region reflects our market penetration. The difference between the increase in revenues and the increase in the number of rigs serviced in these markets also reflects the increase in the depth of wells serviced.

Revenues in the Canadian market declined 3% during the quarter ended March 31, 2004, as compared to the first quarter of 2003, while rig activity in the Canadian market increased 7% period to period. The difference in the change in revenues as

compared to the change in rig activity indicates a slight decline in our Canadian market share. Since the second quarter of 2003, our Canadian market share has remained constant. We expect that revenues in the Canadian market will decline in the second quarter of 2004 as compared to the first quarter of 2004, due to the seasonal weather related slowdowns of drilling activity in this market.

The operations serving the Mediterranean market were acquired effective May 1, 2002. Growth in the Mediterranean market was principally related to new contracts servicing customers in North Africa.

Mat and Integrated Services: Total revenue for this segment consists of the following for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 (dollars in millions):

			2004 vs	. 2003
	2004	2003	\$	%
Installation	\$ 3.7	\$ 5.6	\$(1.9)	(34)%
Re-rental	2.2	2.0	.2	10
Total Gulf Coast mat rental	5.9	7.6	(1.7)	(22)
Integrated services and other	10.7	11.7	(1.0)	(9)
Canadian operations	1.4	0.5	0.9	80
Composite mat sales	2.9	3.7	(0.8)	(22)
Total	\$20.9	\$23.5	\$(2.6)	(11)%

Oilfield mat rental volume for the first quarter of 2004 totaled 4.3 million square feet at an average price of \$0.83 per square foot. This compares to 4.5 million square feet at an average of \$1.03 per square foot in the first quarter of 2003, which benefited from several large projects that did not recur in the remainder of 2003. Our oilfield mat rental pricing has continued to improve since the low in the third quarter of 2003, and pricing on newly awarded work increased to \$1.05 per square foot in the first quarter, an indicator of likely second quarter pricing. We are experiencing an unusual market cycle in which we anticipate that further improvement in oilfield pricing will result from industry-wide inventory reductions that have restricted the supply of mats rather than increased rig activity. Volume increases are expected to come from non-oilfield utility, general construction and other projects, markets we have worked several years to develop. The non-oilfield market provides the opportunity for premium pricing, further enhancing overall profitability. We will continue to pursue the non-oilfield rental markets as opportunities arise in those markets, such as the recent introduction of the rental concept in Mexico.

Integrated services and other revenues, our lowest-margin business unit for this segment, includes a comprehensive range of environmental services necessary for our customers' oil and gas exploration and production activities. These revenues also include the operations of our sawmill in Batson, Texas. The decrease in first quarter 2004 revenues, as compared to the prior year first quarter, is principally associated with a decrease in revenues at our sawmill.

During 2003 we transitioned our Canadian mat operations to principally a sales organization for wooden and composite mats. All of the Canadian revenue for the first quarter of 2004 was related to sales of wooden mats, while all of the revenue for the first quarter of 2003 was related to rentals of wooden mats. Through this transition, the operating expenses of the Canadian mat operations have been significantly reduced.

During the first quarter of 2004, we sold approximately 2,200 composite mats, resulting in \$2.9 million in revenues, as compared to \$3.2 million of revenue on approximately 1,600 mats sold in the first quarter of 2003. Also included in composite mat sales in the first quarter of 2003 were the sale of 4,100 Bravo<sup>™</sup> Mats for a total of \$520,000. During the past three years, we have sold over 35,000 mats into nine targeted markets worldwide. Some of these markets will remain sales markets, while others will become rental markets over time. Based on market data gathered in 2003, we believe there is a significant rental opportunity in support of expanding exploration and development activity in Mexico. As a result, we started a new business unit in that country in the first quarter. We are the majority owner of the business with the Mexican principals who are assisting us in development of the market holding a minority stake.

#### **Operating Income**

E&P Waste Disposal: Waste disposal operating income increased \$200,000 in the first quarter of 2004 on a \$608,000 increase in revenues, as compared to the first quarter of 2003. The incremental margin realized on the revenue increase was 33%. Contribution increases from non-Gulf Coast markets offset the volume-related decline in the Gulf Coast oilfield market.

Fluids Sales and Engineering: Operating income for this segment increased \$2.5 million in the first quarter of 2004 on a \$16.6 million increase in revenues, as compared to the first quarter of 2003. The operating margin for this segment in the first quarter of 2004 was 8.2%, as compared to 5.7% in the first quarter of 2003. The increase in operating margin was primarily attributable to the significant growth in the U.S. central region. Partially offsetting the impact of revenue growth in this region was revenue growth in our Mediterranean operations. These operations have traditionally experienced lower margins as the acquired customer base has been associated with lower-margin contracts. Operating expenses for this segment in the first quarter of 2004 include legal costs of approximately \$850,000, primarily related to costs of litigation against Spirit Drilling Fluids, et al, discussed elsewhere in this report.

As noted above, we anticipate an increase in the number of rigs serviced in the Gulf of Mexico market during the remainder of 2004, as awarded projects begin. This market represents the premium-priced business for this segment. We expect to see margin improvement in our Gulf Coast operations throughout the remainder of 2004 as we continue to penetrate the offshore Gulf of Mexico market and gain wider customer acceptance of our higher-margin premium products such as our DeepDrill<sup>TM</sup> and FlexDrill<sup>TM</sup> family of products.

Mat and Integrated Services: Mat and integrated services operating income declined \$2.1 million in the first quarter of 2004 on a \$2.6 million decline in revenues, as compared to the first quarter of 2003. The significant decline in operating income in relation to the decline in revenues reflects the impact of reduced pricing in the oilfield rental market. Consistent with our experience since the third quarter of 2003, we believe that rental pricing will continue to improve over the remainder of 2004 as a result of continued reductions in mat inventories servicing the oilfield market. In addition, this segment began to implement certain cost reduction measures during the first quarter of 2003, primarily in the areas of personnel and trucking costs. The expected improvement in

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pricing and these cost reduction measures are expected to have a positive impact on operating margins for this segment during the remainder of 2004.

#### General and Administrative Expense

General and administrative expense increased \$259,000 to approximately \$1.5 million in the first quarter of 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. The increase is principally associated with increases in legal and accounting costs associated with current litigation and new corporate governance and compliance related matters.

# Foreign Currency Exchange Gains

Net foreign currency losses totaled \$108,000 in the first quarter of 2004 as compared to net foreign currency gains of \$277,000 in 2003. The principal components of foreign currency gains in the prior year were realized and unrealized gains on short-term intercompany payable balances of our Canadian operations due to the significant decline in the U.S. dollar against the Canadian dollar in 2003. In the first quarter of 2004, the net foreign currency losses were primarily associated with strengthening of the U.S. dollar against the Canadian dollar and the associated impact on these same intercompany balances.

#### Interest Income/Expense

Net interest expense remained relatively unchanged at approximately \$3.5 million for the first quarter of 2004 and 2003. The increase of \$2.8 million in average outstanding borrowings in the first quarter of 2004, as compared to 2003, was principally offset by a decline in the average effective interest rate from 8.3% in 2003 to 7.8% in 2004. During the first quarter of 2004 we completed the restructuring of our bank credit facility. This restructuring reduced the effective interest rate on our revolving facility by approximately one percent.

#### Provision for Income Taxes

For the quarter ended March 31, 2004, we recorded an income tax provision of \$1.0 million, reflecting an income tax rate of 37.5%. For the quarter ended March 31, 2003, we recorded an income tax provision of \$996,000, reflecting an income tax rate of 37.0%.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our working capital position was as follows at March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003:

	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
Working Capital (000's)	\$127,583	\$133,909
Current Ratio	2.52	2.76
	23	

During the first quarter of 2004, our working capital position declined by \$6.3 million. This decline in working capital was principally due to the reversal of the effect of \$8.0 million in restricted cash at December 31, 2003, which was used to secure a letter of credit obligation at that date. In March 2004, this restricted cash was used to pay down our revolving credit facility due to the removal of the requirement to secure the letter of credit obligation. Net of the effect of the restricted cash item, working capital increased by less than \$1 million in spite of significant revenue growth.

The manufacturing facility for our composite mats ("LOMA") is currently not producing mats due to low demand, and we have reduced the number of planned purchases of composite mats in 2004 to approximately 2,500 units, equal to the remaining inventory held by LOMA. Purchases in 2004 will be timed to meet LOMA's cash flow requirements until its inventory on hand is exhausted. With this decline in purchases, along with anticipated composite mat sales in 2004, we expect to reduce the level of composite mat inventory by the end of 2004.

Net trade accounts receivable increased \$3.1 million during the first quarter of 2004 on a \$9.7 million increase in revenues from the fourth quarter of 2003. During the first quarter of 2004, days sales in receivables declined by seven days to 91 days, from 98 days in the fourth quarter of 2003. We continue to monitor our accounts receivable positions and we have made working capital management a primary focus for our management.

We anticipate that our working capital requirements for 2004 will increase as a result of the expected improvement in revenue, related principally to expected market penetration and to modest gains in rig activity. Some of this expected increase in working capital requirements should be offset by our continued focus on improving our collection cycle and anticipated reductions in composite mat inventory. If market conditions improve in 2004 as anticipated, we will likely have to supplement our operating cash flows with borrowings under our credit facility to fund the resulting increase in working capital. We believe we have adequate capacity under our revised credit facility to meet these anticipated working capital needs.

Cash generated from operations during the first quarter of 2004 totaled \$3.1 million, excluding the effects of the \$8.0 million restricted cash investment discussed above. This cash was used principally to fund net capital expenditures of \$2.7 million and net payments on debt obligations of \$1.7 million, excluding the \$8.0 million payment on debt from the receipt of restricted cash. We anticipate that 2004 capital expenditures will be below 2004 depreciation and that we will fund capital expenditures with cash generated from operations. The majority of the remaining amounts of 2004 capital improvements are expected to be used principally to expand drilling fluids and environmental service capacity in growing markets as and when needed. Our commitments to expand drilling fluids and environmental capacity will be monitored and adjusted depending on market conditions, our operating cash flows and other available cash resources.

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Our long term capitalization was as follows (in thousands):

	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
Long-term debt:		
Credit facility	\$ 44,157	\$ 52,500
Senior subordinated notes	125,000	125,000
Other	5,647	6,100
Total long-term debt	174,804	183,600
Stockholders' equity	315,122	313,961
Total capitalization	\$489,926	\$497,561
Long-term debt to long-term capitalization	35.7%	36.9%

On February 25, 2004, our bank credit facility was amended and restated and converted into an asset-based lending facility (the "New Credit Facility"). The New Credit Facility matures on February 25, 2007. Under the New Credit Facility, we can borrow up to \$85 million in the form of \$15 million in term debt and \$70 million in revolving debt. At March 31, 2004, \$14.8 million was outstanding under the term portion of the New Credit Facility. Availability under the revolving portion of the New Credit Facility is based on a percentage of our eligible consolidated accounts receivable and inventory as defined in the New Credit Facility. At March 31, 2004, total availability under the revolving portion of the New Credit Facility was \$62.6 million. At March 31, 2004, \$13.2 million in letters of credit were issued and outstanding and \$32.6 million was outstanding under the revolving portion of the New Credit Facility leaving \$16.8 million of availability under the revolving portion of the New Credit Facility bears interest at either a specified prime rate (4.0% at March 31, 2004), or the LIBOR rate (1.1% at March 31, 2004), in each case plus a spread determined quarterly based upon a fixed charge coverage ratio. The weighted average interest rates on the outstanding balances under the respective credit facilities for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 were 5.34% and 6.09%, respectively.

The New Credit Facility is secured by substantially all our domestic assets. The New Credit Facility contains a fixed charge coverage ratio covenant and a tangible net worth covenant. In addition, the New Credit Facility includes a requirement that we maintain a minimum excess availability of \$5 million from May 16, 2004 to June 16, 2004.

As a result of the conversion of the prior credit facility to the New Credit Facility we reduced the effective cost of outstanding borrowings by approximately one percent. In addition, the number of financial covenants was significantly reduced in the New Credit Facility. Due to consistently low operating results in 2003, financial covenants under the Credit Facility were modified on numerous occasions, resulting in additional fees. We believe that the structure of the New Credit Facility provides a better source of capital given our current operating environment.

Ava, S.p.A ("Ava"), our European drilling fluids subsidiary maintains its own credit arrangements, consisting primarily of lines of credit with several banks, with the lines

renewed on an annual basis. Advances under these credit arrangements are typically based on a percentage of AvA's accounts receivable or firm contracts with certain customers. As of March 31, 2004, AvA had a total of \$9.7 million outstanding under these facilities. We do not provide a corporate guaranty of AvA's debt.

With respect to off balance sheet liabilities, we lease most of our office and warehouse space, rolling stock and certain pieces of operating equipment under operating leases. We have issued a guaranty of certain debt obligations of the manufacturer of our composite mats ("LOMA"). This guaranty is backed by a letter of credit. The amount of this guaranty as of March 31, 2004 was \$8.0 million.

The underlying debt obligation of LOMA matures in December 2008. The LOMA plant suspended production in May 2003 and has not resumed operations. The ability of LOMA to continue to repay its debt obligations is dependent upon sales of composite mats. We have agreed to purchase from LOMA the mats remaining in its inventory at December 31, 2003 during 2004. Should an increase in composite mat sales not occur, LOMA would not restart production and our guarantee may be called upon to fulfill LOMA's debt obligation. Since our guarantee is secured by a letter of credit, there would not be any impact on the availability under our New Credit Facility should performance under the guarantee be required.

We have also issued a guaranty for certain debt obligations of a joint venture ("MOCTX"), which supplies a portion of our wooden mats on a day rate leasing basis. The amount of this guaranty as of March 31, 2004 was \$5.9 million.

Except as described in the preceding paragraphs, we are not aware of any material expenditures, significant balloon payments or other payments on long-term obligations or any other demands or commitments, including off-balance sheet items to be incurred within the next 12 months. Inflation has not materially impacted our revenues or income.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies.**

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles, which requires us to make assumptions, estimates and judgments that affect the amounts reported. We periodically evaluate our estimates and judgments related to uncollectible accounts and notes receivable, inventory, customer returns, impairments of long-lived assets, including goodwill and other intangibles and our valuation allowance for deferred tax assets. Our estimates are based on historical experience and on our future expectations that are believed to be reasonable. The combination of these factors forms the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from our current estimates and those differences may be material.

For additional discussion of our critical accounting policies, see "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003. Our critical accounting policies have not changed materially since December 31, 2003.

#### New Accounting Standards.

In January 2003, the FASB issued Financial Interpretation Number 46 ("FIN 46") "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities," which clarifies the application of Accounting Research Bulletin 51, "Consolidated Financial Statements", to certain entities (called variable interest entities) in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties. The disclosure requirements of FIN 46 were effective for all financial statements issued after January 31, 2003. The consolidation requirements apply to all variable interest entities created after January 31, 2003. In addition, public companies were required to apply the consolidation requirements to variable interest entities that existed prior to February 1, 2003 and remained in existence as of the beginning of annual or interim periods beginning after March 15, 2004.

We have completed our assessment of the impact of FIN 46 on the reporting for our two variable interest entities. These variable interest entities consist of the 49% interest in MOCTX and the 49% interest in Loma. Based on our assessments, we have determined that we are not the primary beneficiary of MOCTX and thus we continue to account for this investment under the equity method. Based on our assessments, we determined that we are the primary beneficiary of LOMA. However, we continue to account for our 49% investment in LOMA under the equity method because LOMA's financial position and results of operations are not material to our consolidated financial statements. In addition, due to the ongoing dispute and pricing litigation discussed in Note 11, we currently do not have access to and have been unable to obtain current and reliable financial information as of and for the period ended March 31, 2004. Based on the latest available financial information on LOMA, which is as of December 31, 2003, LOMA would have represented less than 2% of our consolidated total assets as of December 31, 2003. Substantially all of the operating activity of LOMA is with Newpark or one of its wholly-owned subsidiaries and this activity would be eliminated in consolidation. Our investment in LOMA as of March 31, 2004 was \$1.2 million.

We have issued a guaranty of certain debt obligations of LOMA. This guaranty is backed by a letter of credit. The amount of this guaranty as of March 31, 2004 was \$8.0 million. The LOMA plant suspended production in May 2003 and has not resumed operations. The ability of LOMA to continue to repay its debt obligations is dependent upon sales of composite mats. In order to allow LOMA to service its debt, we have agreed to purchase from LOMA mats remaining in its inventory at December 31, 2003 during 2004. Should an increase in our composite mat sales not occur, LOMA would not restart production and may seek several alternatives to continue to support its debt service requirements. These alternatives could include, among others, new equity infusions from the partners or additional third-party financing. If additional capital could not be obtained, our guarantee may be called upon to fulfill LOMA's debt obligation.

# ITEM 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

We are exposed to certain market risks that are inherent in our financial instruments arising from transactions that are entered into in the normal course of business. Historically, we have not entered into derivative financial instrument

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transactions to manage or reduce market risk or for speculative purposes. However, in November 2001, we did enter into an interest-rate swap arrangement. A discussion of our primary market risk exposure in financial instruments is presented below.

#### Long-Term Debt

We are subject to interest rate risk on our long-term fixed interest rate Notes. The bank credit facility has a variable interest rate and, accordingly, is not subject to interest rate risk. All other things being equal, the fair market value of debt with a fixed interest rate will increase as interest rates fall. Conversely, the fair market value of this debt will decrease as interest rates rise. Our policy has historically been to manage exposure to interest rate fluctuations by using a combination of fixed and variable-rate debt.

The Notes mature on December 15, 2007. There are no scheduled principal payments under the Notes prior to the maturity date. However, all or some of the Notes may be redeemed at a premium after December 15, 2002. We have no current plans to repay the Notes ahead of their scheduled maturity.

During the three months ended March 31, 2004, we decreased our total long-term variable-rate debt by \$8.3 million.

#### Foreign Currency

Our principal foreign operations are conducted in Canada and, since the acquisition of AVA in 2002, in areas surrounding the Mediterranean Sea. There is exposure to future earnings due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates when transactions are denominated in currencies other than our functional currencies. We primarily conduct our business in the functional currency of the jurisdictions in which we operate. Historically, we have not used off-balance sheet financial hedging instruments to manage foreign currency risks when we enter into a transaction denominated in a currency other than our local currencies because the dollar amount of these transactions has not warranted our using hedging instruments.

#### **ITEM 4. Controls and Procedures**

Our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, with the participation of management, have evaluated the effectiveness of our "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing of this quarterly report on Form 10-Q. Based on their evaluation, they have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (1) are effective in timely alerting them to material information relating to Newpark (including our consolidated subsidiaries) required to be disclosed in our periodic Securities and Exchange Commission filings and (2) are adequate to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports filed or submitted by us under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed and summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. It should be noted that in designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures our management recognized that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and our management necessarily was required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

We have designed our disclosure controls and procedures to reach a level of reasonable assurance of achieving the desired objectives and, based on the evaluation described above, our chief executive officer and chief financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at reaching that level of reasonable assurance.

As directed by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the Securities and Exchange Commission has adopted rules which will require us to issue a report of management on the company's internal control over financial reporting beginning with our annual report on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2004. In connection with preparations for the issuance of this report, and in furtherance of our procedures to evaluate the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures, we engaged third-party consultants during 2003 to perform extensive evaluations of our control environment. As a result of the work performed by these consultants, we have identified several areas of weakness in our controls and procedures. These weaknesses include controls and procedures in the following areas:

- Reporting for foreign currency transactions and differences between U.S. and foreign generally accepted accounting principles in our Mediterranean operations; and
- Segregation of duties in several of our reporting units and in our corporate offices.

We will be making control changes during 2004 to reduce these weaknesses. These control changes, among other things, will include implementing new accounting software in our Mediterranean operations to improve management and financial reporting.

There were no significant changes in our internal controls over financial reporting or in other factors that could significantly affect these controls during our most recently completed fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

The foregoing discussion contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The words "anticipates", "believes", "estimates", "plans", "intends" and similar expressions are intended to identify these forward-looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying them. These forward-looking statements reflect the current views of our management; however, various risks, uncertainties and contingencies, including the risks identified below, could cause our actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these statements, including the success or failure of our efforts to implement our business strategy.

We assume no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events discussed in this report might not occur.

Among the risks and uncertainties that could cause future events and results to differ materially from those anticipated by us in the forward-looking statements included in this report are the following:

- A material decline in the level of oil and gas exploration and production and any reduction in the industry's willingness to spend capital on environmental and oilfield services could adversely affect the demand for our services;
- Material changes in oil and gas prices, expectations about future prices, the cost of exploring for, producing and delivering oil and gas, the discovery rate of new oil and gas reserves and the ability of oil and gas companies to raise capital could adversely affect the demand for our services;
- Changes in domestic and international political, military, regulatory and economic conditions may adversely affect the demand for oil and gas or production volumes;
- A rescission or relaxation of government regulations affecting E&P and NORM waste disposal could reduce the demand for our services and reduce our revenues and income.
- Changes in existing regulations could require us to change the way we do business, which may have a material adverse affect on our consolidated financial statements;
- Our patents or other proprietary technology may not prevent our competitors from developing substantially similar technology, which would reduce any competitive advantages we may have from these patents and proprietary technology;
- We may not be able to keep pace with the continual and rapid technological developments that characterize the market for our products and services, and our failure to do so may result in our loss of market share;
- We face intense competition in our existing markets and expect to face tough competition in any markets into which we seek to expand, which will put pressure on our ability to maintain our current market share and may limit our ability to expand our market share or enter into new markets;
- Our recent acquisitions may not achieve sales and profitability levels that justify our investment in them, which could result in these businesses placing downward pressure on our margins or our disposing of these businesses at a loss;
- The demand for our services may be adversely affected by shortages of critical supplies or equipment in the oil and gas industry and personnel trained to operate this equipment;
- We may not be able to successfully introduce our new products and services, including our DeepDrill<sup>™</sup> and FlexDrill<sup>™</sup> technology and our new Dura-Base<sup>™</sup> and Bravo<sup>™</sup> mats, and we may not be successful in gaining acceptance or market share for these products and services;
- We may not be able to maintain the necessary permits to operate our non-hazardous waste disposal wells or we may not be able to successfully compete in this market;
- Adverse weather conditions could disrupt drilling operations and reduce the demand for our services;
- We may fail to comply with any of the numerous Federal, state and local laws, regulations and policies that govern environmental protection, zoning and other matters applicable to our business, or these regulations and



policies may change, and we may face fines or other penalties if we fail to comply with these new regulations, or be forced to make significant capital expenditures or changes to our operations;

- Our business exposes us to potential environmental or regulatory liability, and we could be required to pay substantial amounts with respect to these liabilities, including the costs to clean up and close contaminated sites;
- We may not have adequate insurance for potential liabilities, and any significant liability not covered by insurance or in excess of our coverage limits could have a material adverse affect on our financial condition;
- Our international operations are subject to uncertainties which could limit our ability to expand or reduce the revenues and profitability of these operations, including difficulties and cost associated with complying with a wide variety of complex foreign laws, treaties and regulations, unexpected changes in regulatory environments, inadequate protection of intellectual property in foreign countries, legal uncertainties, timing delays and expenses associated with tariffs, export licenses and other trade barriers, among other risks; and
- Any increases in interest rates under our credit facility, either as a result of increases in the prime or LIBOR rates or as a result of changes in our funded debt to cash flow ratio, would increase our cost of borrowing and have an adverse affect on our consolidated financial statements.
- We may not be able to retire or refinance our long-term debt at or before its maturity, whether due to conditions in financial markets or our own financial condition at that future time. We also can't provide any assurances that we will be able to obtain any replacement long-term financing on terms as favorable to us as under our current financing.

For further information regarding these and other factors, risks and uncertainties affecting us, we refer you to the risk factors set forth in the Prospectus included in our Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed on May 8, 2002 (File No. 333-87840), and to the section entitled "Forward-Looking Statements" on page 17 of that Prospectus.



# PART II

#### **ITEM 1. Legal Proceedings**

We are involved in litigation and other claims or assessments on matters arising in the normal course of our business. In the opinion of management, any recovery or liability in these matters should not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

Through a consolidated subsidiary, we purchase composite mats from the Loma Company, LLC ("LOMA"), which manufactures the mats under an exclusive license granted by OLS Consulting Services, Inc. ("OLS"). As previously disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, litigation is already pending concerning the pricing formula that LOMA utilizes to invoice us for mats. The pricing litigation was tried in November 2003. Filing of post-trial briefs was completed March 15, 2004, and a judgment is expected at any time.

Also as previously reported in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, in response to the filing of a lawsuit by Newpark Drilling Fluids, L.L.C., one of Newpark's subsidiaries, certain of the individual defendants in the lawsuit filed stockholder derivative claims with respect to alleged misconduct as a cross-complaint to the lawsuit. We have filed a motion to stay and abate the shareholder derivative claims, and that motion is scheduled to be heard in court on May 19, 2004.

We do not believe that these matters will have a material adverse affect on our financial statements.

#### ITEM 2. Changes in Securities, Use of Proceeds and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Not applicable.

### **ITEM 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities**

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

Not applicable.

#### **ITEM 5. Other Information**

Not applicable.

#### **ITEM 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K**

(a) Exhibits

31.1 Certification of James D. Cole pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

- 31.2 Certification of Matthew W. Hardey pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1 Certification of James D. Cole pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2 Certification of Matthew W. Hardey pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

#### (b) Reports on Form 8-K

During the period covered by this report, we filed the following Forms 8-K:

- 1. Form 8-K dated February 5, 2004 regarding issuance of press release announcing Newpark's preliminary results for the year ended December 31, 2003.
- 2. Form 8-K dated February 25, 2004 regarding issuance of press release announcing Newpark's results for the year ended December 31, 2003.

# NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

# SIGNATURES

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 5, 2004

NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

By: /s/ James D. Cole

James D. Cole, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Matthew W. Hardey

Matthew W. Hardey, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, James D. Cole, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Form 10-Q of Newpark Resources, Inc.;
- Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the unaudited consolidated financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(c) Disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the Registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The Registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the Registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 5, 2004

/s/ James D. Cole James D. Cole, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, Matthew W. Hardey, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Form 10-Q of Newpark Resources, Inc.;
- Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the unaudited consolidated financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The Registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for the registrant and have:

(a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

(b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

(c) Disclosed in this report any change in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the Registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

5. The Registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the Registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the Registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):

(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the Registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 5, 2004

/s/ Matthew W. Hardey Matthew W. Hardey, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Newpark Resources, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2004, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, James D. Cole, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 5, 2004

/s/ James D. Cole James D. Cole, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Newpark Resources, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2004, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Matthew W. Hardey, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (principal accounting officer) of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 5, 2004

/s/ Matthew W. Hardey Matthew W. Hardey, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906, or other document authenticating, acknowledging, or otherwise adopting the signature that appears in typed form within the electronic version of this written statement required by Section 906, has been provided to the Company and will be retained by the Company and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.