
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): July 25, 2005

NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-2960 72-1123385
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

3850 North Causeway, Suite 1770 Metairie, Louisiana (Address of principal executive offices)

70002 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (504) 838-8222

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

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

On July 25, 2005, Newpark Resources, Inc. issued a press release announcing results for the quarter ended June 30, 2005. The press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Form 8-K and the exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act regardless of any general incorporation by reference language in such filing.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (c) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press release issued by Newpark Resources, Inc. on July 25, 2005.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

Dated: July 26, 2005 By: /s/ Matthew W. Hardey

Matthew W. Hardey, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NO. DESCRIPTION

99.1 Press Release, dated as of July 25, 2005

NEWPARK RESOURCES REPORTS INCREASED SECOND QUARTER EARNINGS ON 35% REVENUE GROWTH

METAIRIE, La., July 25 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Newpark Resources, Inc. (NYSE: NR) today announced that it earned \$4.8 million, or \$0.06 per share, during the quarter ended June 30, 2005, compared to net income of \$1.3 million, or \$0.02 per share, for the same quarter of 2004. Revenue increased 35% to \$141.5 million in the 2005 quarter from \$104.6 million in last year's quarter.

For the six months ended June 30, 2005, the Company reported net income of \$9.7 million, equal to \$0.12 per share, which compares to earnings of \$2.8 million, or \$0.03 per share, in the first six months of 2004. Revenue totaled \$270.5 million in the first six months of the current year, an increase of 29% from \$208.9 million reported in the same period of 2004.

Drilling Fluids

Jim Cole, Newpark's CEO commented, "Newpark Drilling Fluids is continuing to gain momentum in the marketplace as it penetrates the market, and this is translating into improved earnings and margins for the unit."

The number of rigs serviced by Newpark in the U.S. market during the second quarter of 2005 rose 32% to 198 compared to 150 in the same quarter of 2004. Year-to-date, the average number of rigs serviced by the unit increased 36% to 192, compared to 141 in the first six months of 2004. Comparable market activity for both the quarter and year-to-date, as measured by the rig count in the markets served by the company, has increased 13%. Newpark's share of that market rose from 16% at mid-year 2004 to 20% at the recent quarter end.

Drilling Fluids' contribution to second quarter 2005 operating income rose by \$7.2 million to \$9.7 million, compared to \$2.5 million in the same quarter of 2004. Operating margin for the segment improved to 10% in the 2005 quarter from 4% a year ago.

"Operating margins were negatively impacted by over 200 basis points by an increase in barite cost in the current period," Cole stated. "But we believe that price increases and reductions in barite cost will improve margins in the second half of the year."

Revenue for the quarter increased to \$96.6 million, up 65% from \$58.4 million in the year-ago quarter.

For the six-months-to-date, the contribution of the Drilling Fluids segment to operating income amounted to \$16.4 million, compared to \$8.8 million in the same period of 2004. Current period operating margins increased to 9% compared to 7% in the 2004 period. Revenue for the period totaled \$178.3 million, up 43% from \$124.6 million in 2004.

Mat Sales, Rentals and Integrated Services

The matting segment's contribution to operating income for the first half of 2005 totaled \$8.8 million, compared to \$3.1 million in the same period of 2004, reflecting improvements affecting key product lines within the segment. First-half revenue increased to \$61.0 million from \$52.1 million a year ago.

The segment's contribution to operating income in the second quarter totaled \$3.0 million, compared to \$3.5 million at the peak of 2004's operations. Revenue in the 2005 second quarter, at \$29.0 million, was \$2.2 million below the \$31.2 million reported in the same period of 2004.

Gulf coast oilfield mat rental volume in the second quarter declined on slower than usual turnover of rig sites installed in the first quarter. Non-oilfield rentals declined due to seasonal factors in the electric power industry and delays in a major project.

Cole commented: "We believe that the third quarter volume will benefit from the next wave of rig moves as current projects are completed, and we expect to see increased non-oilfield rentals in the fourth quarter from the resumption of electric utility projects. In addition, during the remainder of the year we expect to realize the final \$2 million benefit from the company's cost reduction program."

E&P Waste Disposal

U.S. Gulf Coast market revenue from waste disposal increased 9% in the first six months of 2005 to \$24.8 million on increased revenue per barrel. Contribution to profit increased 25% to \$3.5 million from \$2.8 million in 2004. During the second quarter, Gulf Coast revenues increased 15% to \$12.8 million, driven by 15% higher average pricing. Operating contribution improved to \$2.2

million, or a 17% margin, compared to 9% a year ago. Revenue and operating contribution from non-Gulf Coast markets declined in both the year-to-date and second quarter comparisons.

Commenting on E&P Waste Disposal, Cole said: "We expect that the improving trend in the U.S. Gulf Coast market will continue in the second half of the year, driven by recent activity increases in the inland waters market, which, due to tight environmental regulation, generates the largest volume of waste per rig of all the markets serviced by the company. Meanwhile, we have begun to reallocate resources and management focus, principally away from our non-Gulf Coast operations, to support development of the new water treatment business. Most of the decline in operating contribution outside the Gulf Coast reflects the start-up costs of over \$500,000 to date in 2005 borne by those operations."

Water Processing Technology

Over the past year, Newpark reallocated resources to the development of new market opportunities employing a unique new process technology.

"We are very much encouraged by the enthusiasm we have seen in the marketplace and the results achieved thus far in the field," said Cole. "In the first U.S. application of the technology, Newpark began processing water associated with natural gas production in the Jonah and Pinedale fields at its Boulder, Wyoming, facility. While still in the start-up and testing phase of our operating plan, we are producing water meeting the discharge requirements of our permit, and we expect to begin commercial operation very soon." He continued, "Construction is progressing on the second plant near Gillette, Wyoming, and that facility is expected to be complete late in the third quarter. Our final objective for the year is to have a test unit in operation in the Canadian oil sands market in the fourth quarter in order to begin a demonstration of the capabilities of the Armel Activator technology in that important and growing market."

Balance Sheet Data

"In a period of substantial revenue growth and establishment of the new water technology, we've funded working capital and capital additions principally from cash flow. Longer-term we are still committed to work toward a 30% debt to total capital target," Cole indicated. "But we don't believe that will be the priority for the remainder of 2005, given the market opportunity that we see ahead of us."

Newpark ended the quarter with debt representing 37% of long term capital, substantially unchanged from year-end. At June 30th, borrowings under the Company's revolving bank credit facility totaled \$31.0 million, with \$8.1 million in letters of credit issued and \$22.7 million of the facility unused.

Capital expenditures in the second quarter of \$9.6 million included \$5.4 million in the drilling fluids unit which were accelerated to meet the sharply increased level of awarded work and \$2.9 million in the matting segment, principally to maintain current capacity. As a result of the April acquisition of the DuraBase(TM) composite mat manufacturing facility, property, plant and equipment increased by \$15.6 million, principally a non-cash addition. Depreciation and amortization in the quarter increased to \$6.5 million.

Investor Conference Call

Newpark will host a conference call at 10:00 AM EDT, Tuesday, July 26. Investors may access the call by dialing 800-862-9098; the access code is Newpark. The call will be webcast live and can be accessed from the Investor Relations page of the Company's web site at http://www.newpark.com .

Newpark Resources, Inc. is a provider of drilling fluids, environmental waste treatment solutions, and temporary work sites and access roads for oilfield and other commercial markets.

The foregoing discussion contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. There are risks and uncertainties that could cause future events and results to differ materially from those anticipated by management in the forward-looking statements included in this press release. For further information regarding these and other factors, risks and uncertainties affecting Newpark, we refer you to the risk factors set forth in the Prospectus included in Newpark's Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed on May 8, 2002 (File No. 333-87840), to the section entitled "Forward Looking Statements" on page 17 of that Prospectus and to our periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004. In particular, as described on page 9 of that Prospectus, any material decline in the level of oil and gas exploration and production activity could result in fewer opportunities being available for the service industry in general and Newpark in particular, and may adversely affect the demand for our services. In addition, as described on page 13 of that Prospectus, rescission or relaxation of governmental regulations, including in the discharge regulations recently implemented, could reduce the demand for Newpark's services and reduce Newpark's revenues and income. We strongly urge you to review these filings for a more detailed discussion of these risks and uncertainties. Newpark's SEC filings can be obtained at no charge at http://www.sec.gov , as well as through our website http://www.newpark.com .

THREE PAGES OF FINANCIAL DATA FOLLOW

Newpark Resources, Inc. Year-Ago Quarter Comparison (in thousands, except per share amounts)

(In thousands, except per share amounts)		2005		2004	
Segment revenue Drilling Fluids E&P Waste Disposal Mat & Integrated Services	\$	96,573 15,937 28,986 141,496	\$	58,358 15,076 31,199 104,633	
Segment Gross Profit Drilling Fluids E&P Waste Disposal Mat & Integrated Services	\$	9,654 2,202 2,963 14,819	\$	2,481 1,561 3,495 7,537	
Corporate G&A Operating income Foreign currency (gain) loss Interest income Interest expense Pre-tax income Income tax Net income Preferred dividends Net income to common	\$	2,625 12,194 283 (55) 4,195 7,771 2,717 5,054 225 4,829	\$	2,419 5,118 34 (1,016) 3,552 2,548 981 1,567 225 1,342	
Common share equivalents, diluted Diluted EPS	\$	84,588 0.06	\$	84,062 0.02	
EBITDA Pre-tax Interest Depreciation & amortization Total % of revenue	\$	7,771 4,195 6,510 18,476 13.1%	\$	2,548 3,552 4,874 10,974 10.5%	
Drilling Fluids Data (U.S. Market) Average rigs - U.S. Market Average rigs serviced U.S. Market Share Annualized revenue per rig (000's)	\$	1,008 198 19.6% 1,640	\$	890 150 16.9% 1,331	
Mat Rental Data - Gulf Coast (dollars in millions, except per square foot amounts) Installation Re-rental Total U.S. oilfield mat rental	\$	3.6 2.6 6.2	\$	5.0 1.2 6.2	
Non-oilfield mat rental Integrated services and other Canadian operations Composite mat sales	\$	0.7 11.4 5.2 5.5 29.0	\$	0.8 12.0 2.8 9.4 31.2	
Average price per square foot Square feet installed (MM)	\$	1.11 3.3	\$	1.04 4.8	
Waste Data (dollars in millions, except per barrel amounts) Gulf Coast E&P waste volume (000's) Gulf Coast average revenue per barrel	\$	812 13.34	\$	849 11.64	
Gulf Coast E&P revenue NORM Industrial Total Gulf Coast market	\$	11.0 1.1 0.7 12.8	\$	10.0 0.6 0.5 11.1	
Non-Gulf Coast markets	\$	3.1 15.9	\$	4.0 15.1	

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Segment revenue Drilling Fluids E&P Waste Disposal Mat & Integrated Services	\$	178,262 31,323 60,964		124,593 32,256 52,093
Segment Gross Profit Drilling Fluids E&P Waste Disposal Mat & Integrated Services	\$	270,549 16,429 3,549 8,797 28,775	\$	8,800 4,369 3,064 16,233
Corporate G&A Operating income Foreign currency (gain) loss Interest income Interest expense Pre-tax income Income tax Net income Preferred dividends Net income to common	\$	4,700 24,075 9 (124) 8,276 15,914 5,746 10,168 450 9,718	\$	4,871 11,362 142 (1,137) 7,124 5,233 1,988 3,245 488 2,757
Common share equivalents, diluted Diluted EPS	\$	84,449 0.12	\$	83,557 0.03
EBITDA Pre-tax Interest Depreciation & amortization Total % of revenue	\$	15,914 8,276 12,740 36,930 13.7%	\$	5,233 7,124 10,158 22,515 10.8%
Drilling Fluids Data (U.S. Market) Average rigs - U.S. Market Average rigs serviced U.S. Market Share Annualized revenue per rig (000's)	\$	985 192 19.5% 1,536	\$	867 141 16.3% 1,369
Mat Rental Data - Gulf Coast (dollars in millions, except per square foot amounts) Installation Re-rental Total U.S. oilfield mat rental Non-oilfield mat rental Integrated services and other Canadian operations Composite mat sales	\$ \$	8.5 5.2 13.7 4.1 22.2 9.1 11.9 61.0	\$ \$	8.7 2.9 11.6 1.3 22.7 4.2 12.3 52.1
Average price per square foot Square feet installed (MM)	\$	1.12 7.6	\$	0.95 9.2
Waste Data (dollars in millions, except per barrel amounts) Gulf Coast E&P waste volume (000's) Gulf Coast average revenue per barrel	\$	1,584 13.12	\$	1,653 11.87
Gulf Coast E&P revenue NORM Industrial Total Gulf Coast market Non-Gulf Coast markets	\$	21.3 2.1 1.4 24.8 6.5 31.3	\$	19.9 1.2 1.7 22.8 9.5 32.3

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ASSETS	 	
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Trade accounts receivable, less allowance	\$ 12,506	\$ 7,022
of \$735 in 2005 and \$3,260 in 2004 Notes and other receivables Inventories	118,401 4,616 80,812	100,587 7,321 84,044
Deferred tax asset Other current assets Total current assets	11,508 14,135 241,978	12,501 13,275 224,750
Property, plant and equipment, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation Goodwill and other intangibles	239,760 135,395	210,514 132,769
Deferred tax asset Other assets	\$ 598 5,641 623,372	4,063 18,018 590,114
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities: Foreign bank lines of credit Notes payable and current maturities of long-term debt Accounts payable Accrued liabilities	\$ 10,404 41,672 32,320	8,017 5,031 38,822 26,875
Total current liabilities Long-term debt Other non-current liabilities	94,498 193,372 3,137	78,745 186,286 2,118
Stockholders' equity: Preferred Stock Common Stock Paid-in capital Unearned restricted stock compensation Accumulated other comprehensive income Retained deficit Total stockholders' equity	\$ 20,000 844 404,130 (353) 5,876 (98,132) 332,365 623,372	20,000 840 402,248 (472) 8,199 (107,850) 322,965 590,114
Ratio of long-term debt to total capital	36.8%	36.6%

SOURCE Newpark Resources, Inc.

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