

NEWPARK RESOURCES INC  
Form 8-K  
December 12, 2008

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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):

December 10, 2008

**Newpark Resources, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-02960

72-1123385

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2700 Research Forest Drive, Suite 100, The  
Woodlands, Texas

77381

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

281-362-6800

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On December 10, 2008, the Registrant announced in a press release that it has formally signed the Lot B contract with Petrobras to provide drilling fluids and services for a deepwater offshore project off the coast of Brazil. The contract is valued at approximately 350 million Brazilian Reals, or approximately \$144 million at current exchange rates. Newport expects to begin generating the revenue in early 2009.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

99.1 - Press Release dated December 10, 2008.

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**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.

*December 12, 2008*

By: */s/ Paul L. Howes*

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*Name: Paul L. Howes*

*Title: President and Chief Executive Officer*

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<b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
99.1	Press Release dated December 10, 2008.