

NEWPORT CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
O NEILL MICHAEL T

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1791 DEERE AVENUE  
(Street)

IRVINE, CA 92606

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NEWPORT CORP [NEWP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/22/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 03/22/2010                           |  | G <sup>(1)</sup>               | V 28,700 D \$ 0   | 0   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/22/2010                           |  | G <sup>(1)</sup>               | V 28,700 A \$ 0   | 69,670  | I  | Held in family trust <sup>(2)</sup>                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/22/2010                           |  | S <sup>(3)</sup>               | 12,200 D \$ 11.7  | 57,470  | I  | Held in family trust <sup>(2)</sup>                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/22/2010                           |  | S <sup>(3)</sup>               | 600 D \$ 11.71  | 56,870  | I  | Held in family trust <sup>(2)</sup>                   |

|                 |            |  |                  |     |   |             |        |   |   |
|-----------------|------------|--|------------------|-----|---|-------------|--------|---|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 03/22/2010 |  | S <sup>(3)</sup> | 900 | D | \$<br>11.73 | 55,970 | I | Held in<br>family<br>trust <sup>(2)</sup> |
|-----------------|------------|--|------------------|-----|---|-------------|--------|---|---|

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Benef<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repor<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
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|  | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
|--|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| O NEILL MICHAEL T<br>1791 DEERE AVENUE<br>IRVINE, CA 92606 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

Jeffrey B. Coyne, SVP & General Counsel, as attorney-in-fact for reporting person

03/24/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares were transferred by gift by reporting person to himself as trustee of a family trust.
- (2) Shares are held by reporting person as trustee of a family trust.
- (3) Shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan established by reporting person, as trustee of a family trust, on August 28, 2009.

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