

COYNE JEFFREY B
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
COYNE JEFFREY B

(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)
04/12/2012

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)
SVP, General Counsel & Sec.

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 04/12/2012 | | A | | 11,100 (1) \$ 0 58,166 | D | |

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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Stock Appreciation Right (Stock-Settled) | \$ 17.12 | 04/12/2012 | | A | 11,100 | (2) 04/12/2019 | Common Stock 11, |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| COYNE JEFFREY B 1791 DEERE AVENUE IRVINE, CA 92606 | | | SVP, General Counsel & Sec. | |

Signatures

Jeffrey B. Coyne
04/12/2012
 **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).
- Consists of restricted stock units representing the right to receive upon vesting a total of 11,100 shares of the issuer's common stock. Such
- (1) restricted stock units vest in equal one-third installments on March 31, 2013, March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2015, subject to the achievement by the issuer of a specified financial performance goal for 2012.
 - (2) Stock appreciation right vests in equal one-third installments on March 31, 2013, March 31, 2014 and March 31, 2015.

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