

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

October 5, 2010

Mr. Paul Howes Chief Executive Officer Newpark Resources, Inc. 2700 Research Forest Drive, Suite 100 The Woodlands, TX 77381

Re: Newpark Resources, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended 12/31/2009

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Dear Mr. Howes:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

H. Roger Schwall Assistant Director