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NEWS RELEASE

Natural Resource Partners L.P. Announces Partnership K-1 Schedules and Annual Report Available Online

HOUSTON, February 26, 2010 – Natural Resource Partners L.P. (NYSE:NRP) announced today that it has commenced the printing and mailing of its 2009 tax packages for unitholders, including the individual K-1 tax information. The K-1 tax information may also be accessed online at NRP's website at www.nrplp.com/k1taxinformation. For additional K-1 tax information and unitholder support, unitholders may call (888) 334-7102.

NRP has also filed its Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2009 with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The report is available for viewing or downloading on its website www.nrplp.com. Unitholders may request a hardcopy of the complete audited financial statements at info@nrplp.com or by contacting the partnership at 601 Jefferson, Suite 3600, Houston, TX 77002.

Company Profile

Natural Resource Partners L.P. is headquartered in Houston, TX, with its operations headquarters in Huntington, WV. NRP is a master limited partnership that is principally engaged in the business of owning and managing mineral reserve properties. NRP owns coal reserves and coal handling and transportation infrastructure in the three major coal producing regions of the United States: Appalachia, the Illinois Basin and the Powder River Basin. In addition, the partnership owns and manages aggregate reserves in Arizona, Texas, West Virginia and Washington.

For additional information, please contact Kathy H. Roberts at 713-751-7555 or kroberts@nrplp.com. Further information about NRP is available on the partnership's website at <http://www.nrplp.com>.

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