

GRAS HORST  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
GRAS HORST

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BADGER METER INC [BMI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
KARLSTRASSE 11

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/09/2005

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

VP-International

(Street)  
BEUREN, 2M 72660

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/09/2005		A <sup>(1)</sup>	600 A <sup>(2)</sup>	600 <sup>(3)</sup>	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8.
Stock Options	\$ 36.65	05/09/2005		J <sup>(4)</sup>	1,800	05/09/2006 05/19/2015	Common Stock	1,800

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

GRAS HORST KARLSTRASSE 11 BEUREN, 2M 72660				VP-International
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## Signatures

Richard E. Johnson  
attorney-in-fact

05/11/2005

\_\_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) Restricted Stock granted pursuant to the 2005 Restricted Stock Plan approved by shareholders on April 29, 2005.

(2) The value of the award will be determined at the closing price on May 9, 2008, the date of vesting.

(3) In addition to the Restricted Stock granted to Mr. Gras, he also owns 11,860 shares in the Badger Meter Officers' Voting Trust and 4,650 shares directly.

(4) Stock options granted pursuant to the Company's 1997, 1999 and 2003 Stock Option Plans approved by shareholders.

(5) Stock Options are granted on a one-for-one basis.

(6) In addition to the 1800 stock options granted 5/9/05, the reporting person has options to acquire 27,350 additional shares of Common Stock at varying grant prices and vesting schedules over a ten-year period.

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