

JOHNSON RICHARD E
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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 *
JOHNSON RICHARD E

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)
4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD, P.O. BOX 245036

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

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Sr. VP-Finance, Treas & CFO / Co-trustee, Officers Voting Tr

(Street)
MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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	02/16/2005		A ⁽¹⁾	750 A <u>2</u>	750 ⁽³⁾	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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 36.65	05/09/2005		J ⁽⁴⁾	2,250	05/09/2006 05/09/2015	Common Stock	2,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer
			Other
JOHNSON RICHARD E 4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD P.O. BOX 245036 MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536			Sr. VP-Finance, Treas & CFO
			Co-trustee, Officers Voting Tr

Signatures

Richard E.
Johnson

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. Johnson, he also owns 16,000 shares in the Badger Meter Officers' Voting Trust, 10,396 share jointly with his spouse, 632.22 shares in the Company's ESSOP and 14,000 shares in an IRA account.
 - (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 options granted to Mr. Johnson on 5/9/05, the reporting person has options to acquire 40,300 additional shares of Common Stock at varying grant prices and vesting schedules over a ten-year period.

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