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(Print or Type I	Responses)										
FORBES JAMES L Symbol				er Name and Ticker or Trading ER METER INC [BMI]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (N	Aiddle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Chec					k all applicable)			
4545 W. BF BOX 24503	ROWN DEER RD)., P.O.	(Month/D 02/03/20	-				_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify	
	(Street)			ndment, Da hth/Day/Year)	-	1		6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by C	One Reporting Pe	rson	
MILWAUK	EE, WI 53224-95	536						Form filed by M Person	lore than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/03/2005			S <u>(1)</u>	1,500 (1)	D	\$ 31.95 (2)	131,884 <u>(3)</u>	D		
Common Stock	02/03/2005			S <u>(1)</u>	500 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 32.02 (2)	131,384 <u>(3)</u>	D		
Common Stock	02/04/2005			S <u>(1)</u>	500 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 28 (2)	130,884 <u>(3)</u>	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	Expiration D (Month/Day, e	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		le and int of rlying ities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FORBES JAMES L 4545 W. BROWN DEER RD. P.O. BOX 245036 MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536	Х						
Signatures							
Richard A. Meeusen							

Attorney-in-fact

02/04/2005

**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) Shares sold pursuant to a 10b-5 Plan. Under the Plan, Mr. Forbes has agreed to sell 2,500 shares per month over a two-year period. This amount has been adjusted for the Company's 2-for-1 stock split as of 12/10/04.
- (2) Price reflects Company's 2-for-1 stock split as of 12/10/04.
- (3) Shares adjusted for 2-for-1 stock split as of 12/10/04.

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