

BADGER METER INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JOHNSON RICHARD E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/05/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 | 05/05/2006 | | M | 2,300 | \$ 14.25 | 16,896 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/05/2006 | | S | 2,300 | \$ 62.98 | 14,596 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2006 | | M | 1,700 | \$ 14.25 | 16,296 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2006 | | S | 1,700 | \$ 62.79 | 14,596 ⁽¹⁾ | 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) | 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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | |
| Stock Options - Right to Buy | \$ 14.25 | 05/05/2006 | | M | 2,300 | 05/18/2002 | 05/18/2011 | Common Stock | 2,300 |
| Stock Options - Right to Buy | \$ 14.25 | 05/08/2006 | | M | 1,700 | 05/18/2002 | 05/18/2011 | Common Stock | 1,700 |

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 05/09/2006

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) In addition to the 14,596 shares held directly by Mr. Johnson and his wife, he also owns 16,000 shares in the Badger Meter Officers' Voting Trust, 720.04 shares in the Company's ESSOP, 14,000 shares in an IRA account and 750 shares of Restricted Stock.
- (2) Stock Options are granted on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) In addition to the 2,000 shares remaining in the 5/18/01 grant, the reporting person has options to acquire 28,850 additional shares of Common Stock at varying grant prices and vesting schedules over a ten-year period.

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