

BADGER METER INC
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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 *
 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)
 08/11/2008

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (D) or Price (A)		
Common Stock	08/11/2008		M		5,000 A \$ 7	D	
Common Stock	08/11/2008		S		5,000 D \$ 61.9662	D	
Common Stock						I	ESSOP
Common Stock						D	
Common Stock						I	Restricted Stock

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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
Stock Options	\$ 7	08/11/2008		M	5,000	05/02/2004 05/02/2013	BMI Common Stock	5,000
Stock Options	\$ 18.325					05/09/2006 05/09/2015	BMI Common Stock	4,500
Stock Options	\$ 31.41					05/05/2007 05/05/2016	BMI Common Stock	3,600
Stock Options	\$ 24.94					05/04/2008 05/04/2017	BMI Common Stock	3,600
Stock Options	\$ 52.81					05/02/2009 05/02/2018	BMI Common Stock	3,000
Stock Options	\$ 7					05/02/2006 05/02/2013	BMI Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JOHNSON RICHARD E 4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD			Sr. VP-Finance, Treas & CFO	

P.O. BOX 245036
MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536

Signatures

Richard E.

Johnson

08/12/2008

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

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