

Begale Fred J
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Begale Fred J

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/30/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP-Engineering

(Street)
 MILWAUKEE, WI 53223

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

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)
Common Stock	01/30/2018		A ⁽¹⁾	453.8946	A 47.8 6,780.747	I	ESSOP
Common Stock					5,609	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. Price of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Options	\$ 25.645					03/01/2014 03/01/2023	BMI Common Stock 2,362	
Stock Options	\$ 27.18					03/07/2015 03/07/2024	BMI Common Stock 2,416	
Stock Options	\$ 28.33					03/06/2016 03/06/2025	BMI Common Stock 2,416	
Stock Options	\$ 33.975					03/04/2017 03/04/2026	BMI Common Stock 2,064	
Stock Options	\$ 36.45					03/03/2018 03/03/2027	BMI Common Stock 1,981	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Begale Fred J 4545 W BROWN DEER ROAD MILWAUKEE, WI 53223			VP-Engineering	

Signatures

Fred J. Begale 02/01/2018
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

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) Represents shares of Badger Meter stock accumulated during 2017 and early 2018 in the participant's 401k component of the ESSOP, including contributions and 401K match.
- (2) Year end stock price for Badger Meter Common Stock used to calculate the Company's match.

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