

JOHNSON RICHARD E  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)  
05/02/2008

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/02/2008		A <sup>(1)</sup>	1,000 A 2	8,900	I	Restricted Stock
Common Stock					1,613.2272	I	ESSOP
Common Stock					66,192	D	
Common Stock					28,000	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
Stock Options	\$ 52.81	05/02/2008		A	3,000	05/02/2009 05/02/2018	BMI Common Stock	3,000
Stock Options	\$ 5.7475					01/29/2003 01/29/2012	BMI Common Stock	2,000
Stock Options	\$ 7					05/02/2004 05/02/2013	BMI Common Stock	5,000
Stock Options	\$ 7					05/02/2004 05/02/2013	BMI Common Stock	24,000
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

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536

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## Signatures

Richard E.  
Johnson

05/05/2008

\*\*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) Restricted Stock granted pursuant to the Company's Restricted Stock Plans as approved by shareholders.
  - (2) The value of the award will be determined at the closing price on May 2, 2011, the date of vesting.
  - (3) Stock Options are granted on a one-for-one basis.

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