

POLICANO ANDREW J
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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 *
 POLICANO ANDREW J

(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)
 05/02/2011

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)

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 05/02/2011 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | V Amount (A) or (D) Price 1,191 A \$ 37.77 | 16,624.303 | 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)

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| 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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------|----------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 | 05/02/2011 | | J ⁽²⁾ | 18.7841 | 08/08/1988 | 08/08/1988 | BMI Common Stock | 18.784 |
| Stock Options | \$ 7 | | | | | 05/02/2004 | 05/02/2013 | BMI Common Stock | 6,400 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| POLICANO ANDREW J 4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD P.O. BOX 245036 MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536 | X | | | |

Signatures

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|------------------------------------|------------|
| Andrew J. Policano | 05/03/2011 |
| **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).
- Shares granted pursuant to the 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan as approved by shareholders on April 29, 2011. Non-employee directors are
- (1) given an annual grant of Badger Meter Common Stock on the first business day following the Company's annual meeting equal to \$45,000 as rounded down to the nearest whole share based on the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on that day.
 - (2) The phantom stock units were accrued in Mr. Policano's Badger Meter, Inc. Director Deferred Compensation Plan account as payment for dividends accrued during 2010. The Company's current quarterly dividend is 14 cents per share.
 - (3) When a director chooses to exit the Director Deferred Compensation Plan all proceeds are paid out in cash.

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