Zahn Kristie J Form 4 March 13, 2012

## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Zahn Kristie 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) (M		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
4545 W BROW	VN DEER F	(Month/Day/Year) EER ROAD 03/09/2012		Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below)  Retired Officer		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
MILWAUKEE, WI 53223			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivative Sec	curitie	s Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities A orDisposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4 and Amount	<b>)</b>	d (A) or	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	03/09/2012		<u>I(1)</u>	1,081.2928	D	\$ 32.01	0	I	ESSOP
Common Stock							1,000	I	Restricted Stock
Common Stock							2,500	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5	te	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 38.69					05/01/2010	05/01/2019	BMI Common Stock	7,000	
Stock Options	\$ 38.41					05/07/2011	05/07/2020	BMI Common Stock	1,200	
Stock Options	\$ 36.59					05/06/2012	05/06/2021	BMI Common Stock	1,200	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Otho		

Zahn Kristie J

4545 W BROWN DEER ROAD MILWAUKEE, WI 53223

Retired Officer

### **Signatures**

Richard A. Meeusen

attorney-in-fact 03/13/2012

\*\*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).
- $\textbf{(1)} \quad \text{Following retirement from the company, the reporting person reallocated the funds in her 401(k) account.}$

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