

DIX RONALD H
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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 *
DIX RONALD H

(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)
04/30/2012

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)
Retired Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 94,100 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 61,039 | 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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 | 04/30/2012 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 1,285 | 08/08/1988 08/08/1988 | BMI Common Stock | 1,285 |
| 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 |
| DIX RONALD H 4545 W BROWN DEER ROAD P.O. BOX 245036 MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536 | X | | | Retired Officer |

Signatures

Ronald H. Dix 05/01/2012
 **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) Shares granted pursuant to the 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan as approved by shareholders on April 29, 2011. Non-employee directors are given an annual grant of Badger Meter Common Stock on the first business day following the Company's annual meeting equal to

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\$47,500 as rounded down to the nearest whole share based on the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on that day.

(2) When a director chooses to exit the Director Deferred Compensation Plan all proceeds are paid out in cash.

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