

DIX RONALD H
Form 4
January 21, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

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

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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)
01/20/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____X____ Other (specify below)
Sr. VP-Admin, HR & Secretary / Co-trustee
Officers' Voting Tr

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ 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 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)	
			Code	V	Amount (1)	(A) or (D)	Price (2)	
Common Stock	01/20/2005		A	V	89.78 (1)	A	\$ 29.96 (2)	6,490.52 (3)
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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

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			Sr. VP-Admin, HR & Secretary	Co-trustee Officers' Voting Tr

Signatures

Richard A. Meeusen, Attorney
in Fact 01/21/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) The shares allocated represent the Company's year-end match on employee contributions to their 401(k) Plan accounts.

(2) Price of Badger Meter, Inc. Common Stock at 12/31/04. The price reflects the Company's 2-for-1 stock split as of 12/10/04.

Represents shares of Badger Meter, Inc. Common Stock allocated pursuant to the following Badger Meter Employee Benefit Stock Plans:

a) Badger Meter Payroll-based Employee Stock Ownership Plan (PAYSOP), and/or, b) Badger Meter Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP), and/or c) Badger Meter Savings Plan (a 401(k) Plan). In addition to the shares held in the ESSOP, Mr. Dix owns 48,004 shares directly 42,004 of which he owns jointly with his wife, and 20,400 shares in the Badger Meter Officers' Voting Trust. The share amounts have been adjusted for the Company's 2-for-1 stock split as of 12/10/04.

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