#### **BADGER METER INC**

Form 4

September 28, 2005

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* STOLLENWERK JOHN J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BADGER METER INC [BMI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director

Officer (give title

10% Owner

Other (specify

4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD, P.O. BOX 245036

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

09/27/2005

Applicable Line)

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

(Check all applicable)

MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Code

(Instr. 8)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Following Reported

(Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration

(Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date Title Amo or Nun of Sl Phantom 24.213 Common \$ 0 (1) Stock 09/27/2005 A 08/08/1988<sup>(3)</sup> 08/08/1988<sup>(3)</sup> 24. (1)(2)Stock Units

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STOLLENWERK JOHN J 4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD P.O. BOX 245036 MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536

X

## **Signatures**

Richard A. Meeusen attorney-in-fact

09/28/2005

\*\*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) The phantom stock units convert to Common Stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
- The phantom stock units were accrued in Mr. Stollenwerk's Badger Meter, Inc. Director Deferred Compensation Plan account for the
- (2) 9/27/05 meeting of the Employee Benefit Plans Committee for which he is a member. The meeting fee is \$1,000. The phantom units were computed at the 6/30/05 closing price of \$41.30/share.
- (3) When a participant chooses to exit the Plan, all compensation accrued is paid out in cash.
- (4) In addition to the phantom stock units, Mr. Stollenwerk owns 16,232 shares directly and he and members of his family are beneficiaries of the Dorothy Stollenwerk Trust, for which he is a Trustee, which holds 5,082 shares of Badger Meter stock.

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