ADAMS TODD A. Form 4 October 17, 2017

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

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ADAMS TODD A.

(First) (Middle) (Last)

4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BADGER METER INC [BMI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

10/16/2017

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

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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burden hours per

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Indirect

(City) (State) (Zip)

MILWAUKEE, WI 53223

(Instr. 3)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of

Securities

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

Issuer

Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(A)

or

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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| | Derivative Security | | | | (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5) | | | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------|------|---|---|-----|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Phantom Stock Units | (1) | 10/16/2017 | A(2) | | 24.49 | | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | BMI Common Stock | 24.49 |
| Stock Options | \$ 38.55 | | | | | | 05/05/2018 | 05/05/2027 | BMI Common Stock | 2,627 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| ADAMS TODD A. 4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD MILWAUKEE, WI 53223 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

Todd A. Adams 10/17/2017

**Signature of Person 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) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. The shares of phantom stock become payable in cash upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director.
- The phantom stock units were accrued in Mr. Adams' Badger Meter, Inc. Director Deferred Compensation Plan account as payment for (2) his 2017 Quarter 4 audit committee meeting paid to non-employee directors in the amount of \$1,200. The phantom stock units were computed at \$49.00, the 9/29/2017 closing price of the Company's stock, as required by the plan.

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