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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Begale Fred 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) (Mic	ldle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
4545 W BROWN DEER ROAD		(Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2018	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP-Engineering			
(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		

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative Sec	curitie	s Acqui	red, Disposed of,	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 over Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 ar	of (D)	Price	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	01/30/2018		A(1)	453.8946	A	\$ 47.8 <u>(2)</u>	6,780.747	I	ESSOP
Common Stock							5,609	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 25.645					03/01/2014	03/01/2023	BMI Common Stock	2,362	
Stock Options	\$ 27.18					03/07/2015	03/07/2024	BMI Common Stock	2,416	
Stock Options	\$ 28.33					03/06/2016	03/06/2025	BMI Common Stock	2,416	
Stock Options	\$ 33.975					03/04/2017	03/04/2026	BMI Common Stock	2,064	
Stock Options	\$ 36.45					03/03/2018	03/03/2027	BMI Common Stock	1,981	

Reporting Owners

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

Begale Fred J 4545 W BROWN DEER ROAD MILWAUKEE, WI 53223

VP-Engineering

Signatures

Fred J. Begale 02/01/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Represents shares of Badger Meter stock accumulated during 2017 and early 2018 in the participant's 401k component of the ESSOP, including contributions and 401K match.
- (2) Year end stock price for Badger Meter Common Stock used to calculate the Company's match.

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