

Hardin John Wesley
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Hardin John Wesley		(Month/Day/Year)	AMETEK INC/ [AME]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	07/23/2008	
37 NORTH VALLEY ROAD,Â BUILDING 4			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
PAOLI,Â PAÂ 19301-0801			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			PRES. - ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS	
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	22,215	D	Â
Common Stock/SERP	2,252	D	Â
401K PLAN	213	I	401K PLAN

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying	4. Conversion	5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	Ownership (Instr. 5)
Stock Option	09/22/2005	09/21/2011	Common Stock	5,876	\$ 20.27	D	Â
Stock Option	04/27/2006	04/26/2012	Common Stock	3,203	\$ 25.2867	D	Â
Stock Option	04/26/2007	04/25/2013	Common Stock	6,099	\$ 33.2667	D	Â
Stock Option	04/24/2008	04/23/2014	Common Stock	7,415	\$ 36.44	D	Â
Stock Option	04/23/2009	04/22/2015	Common Stock	9,712	\$ 48.6	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hardin John Wesley 37 NORTH VALLEY ROAD BUILDING 4 PAOLI, PA 19301-0801	Â	Â	Â PRES. - ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS	Â

Signatures

JOHNWESLEYHARDIN 07/23/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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