BADGER METER INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SMITH KENNETH E Issuer Symbol BADGER METER INC [BMI] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 4545 W. BROWN DEER 04/29/2005 below) below) ROAD, P.O. BOX 245036 VP-Sales & Marketing (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536 Person

	(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
S	.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. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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	04/29/2005		M	2,000	A	\$ 15.875	7,400 (1)	D	
	Common Stock	04/29/2005		S	2,000	D	\$ 33.9	5,400 (1)	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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out 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)	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 15.875	04/29/2005	M	2,000	05/12/2001	05/12/2010	Common Stock	2,000

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH KENNETH E 4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD P.O. BOX 245036 MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536

VP-Sales & Marketing

Signatures

Kenneth E. 05/02/2005 Smith

**Signature of 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) In addition to the shares held directly by Mr. Smith, he also owns 10,000 shares in the Badger Meter Officers' Voting Trust and 790.03 shares in the Company's ESSOP.
- (2) Stock Options are granted on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) In addition to the 2,000 non-qualified stock options remaining in the May 12, 2000 grant, the reporting person has options to acquire 37,200 additional shares of Common Stock at varying grant prices and vesting schedules over a ten-year period.

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