

BADGER METER INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DIX RONALD H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BADGER METER INC [BMI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/24/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Sr. VP-Admin. & Secretary / Co-trustee Officers' Voting Tr

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

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	10/24/2005		M		600	A	\$ 11.495
					21,000	(1)	
						I	Officers' Voting Trust

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)**

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number 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)	8. P
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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options - Right to Buy	\$ 11.495	10/24/2005		M			600	01/29/2003	01/29/2012	BMI Common Stock	600

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DIX RONALD H 4545 W BROWN DEER ROAD P.O. BOX 245036 MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536	X		Sr. VP-Admin. & Secretary	Co-trustee Officers' Voting Tr

### Signatures

Ronald H. Dix                                      08/26/2005  
 \_\_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 21,000 shares held in the Badger Mteer Officers' Voting Trust, Mr. Dix owns 43,452 shares jointly with his wife, 8,000 shares individually, 750 shares of restricted stock and 6,490.52 shares in the Company's ESSOP.
- (2) Stock Options are granted on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) In addition to the 9,400 remaining stock options granted on January 29, 2002, the reporting person has options to acquire 38,098 additional shares of Common Stock at varying grant prices and vesting schedules over a ten-year period.

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