

BADGER METER INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**POLICANO ANDREW J**

(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)  
**07/20/2006**

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price                                |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 16,200  | 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)**

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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) | Amount or Number of Shares |                  |        |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|------------------|--------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                      |                  |        |
| Phantom Stock Units                        | \$ 0   | 07/20/2006                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 18.519   | 08/08/1988  | 08/08/1988                 | BMI Common Stock | 18.519 |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 4.9688  |                                      |  |                                |   |  | 02/14/1998  | 02/14/2007                 | BMI Common Stock | 5,000  |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 4.9688  |                                      |  |                                |   |  | 02/14/1998  | 02/14/2007                 | BMI Common Stock | 2,000  |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 7   |                                      |  |                                |   |  | 05/02/2004  | 05/02/2013                 | BMI Common Stock | 6,400  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| POLICANO ANDREW J<br>4545 W. BROWN DEER ROAD<br>P.O. BOX 245036<br>MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Richard A. Meeusen  
attorney-in-fact

07/24/2006

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\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## 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).
- The phantom stock units were accrued in Mr. Policano's Badger Meter, Inc. Director Deferred Compensation Plan account as payment for
- (1) half of the \$1,000 fee paid to him for his participation at a meeting of the Employee Benefit Plans Committee. The other half of the fee was paid into a deferred cash account under the Plan.
  - (2) The number of shares is calculated at the June 30, 2006 closing price.
  - (3) When a director chooses to exit the Director Deferred Compensation Plan, all proceeds are paid out in cash.

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