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(Print or Type F	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> DIX RONALD H			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BADGER METER INC [BMI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					(Chec	k all applicable	2)	
4545 W BR ROAD, P.O	(Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2011					X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX_ Other (specify below) Retired Officer					
				ndment, Date Original hth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(CheckApplicable Line)_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MILWAUK	EE, WI 53224-	9536						Form filed by M Person	fore than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	ecurity (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, i		n Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A)			d of (D)	Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	05/02/2011			A <u>(1)</u>	1,191	А	\$ 37.77	61,039	D		
Common Stock								94,100	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		(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	\$ 18.325					05/09/2006	05/09/2015	BMI Common Stock	4,500	
Stock Options	\$ 31.41					05/05/2007	05/05/2016	BMI Common Stock	3,600	
Stock Options	\$ 24.94					05/04/2008	05/04/2017	BMI Common Stock	3,600	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting O when Fulling / Fulliess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DIX RONALD H 4545 W BROWN DEER ROAD P.O. BOX 245036 MILWAUKEE, WI 53224-9536	х			Retired Officer			
Signatures							
Ronald H. Dix 05/03	3/2011						

<u>**</u>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).

Shares granted pursuant to the 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan as approved by shareholders on April 29, 2011. Non-employee directors are
(1) given an annual grant of Badger Meter Common Stock on the first business day following the Company's annual meeting equal to \$45,000 as rounded down to the nearest whole share based on the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on that day.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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