

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hardin John Wesley</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMETEK INC/ [AME]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) PRES. - ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/31/2008</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
37 NORTH VALLEY ROAD BUILDING 4			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) <u>PAOLI PA 19301-0801</u>								
(City) (State) (Zip)								

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock/serp	12/31/2008		J ⁽¹⁾		877	A	\$30.845	3,129	D	
401k Plan								213	I	401k Plan
Common Stock								22,215	D	

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. 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Stock Option	\$20.27							09/22/2005	09/21/2011	Common Stock	5,876	5,876	D	
Stock Option	\$25.2867							04/27/2006	04/26/2012	Common Stock	3,203	3,203	D	
Stock Option	\$33.2667							04/26/2007	04/25/2013	Common Stock	6,099	6,099	D	
Stock Option	\$36.44							04/24/2008	04/23/2014	Common Stock	7,415	7,415	D	
Stock Option	\$48.6							04/23/2009	04/22/2015	Common Stock	9,712	9,712	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Allocated pursuant to the AMETEK, Inc. Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan under which shares are automatically distributed on a one-for-one basis upon the participant's retirement.

/s/ John W. Hardin 12/31/2008
** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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