FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* ZAPICO DAVID A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMETEK INC/</u> [AME]								S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 37 NORTH VALLEY ROAD BUILDING 4					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008														
(Street) PAOLI							ndmen	t, Date	of Original	Filed	d (Month/E		Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S		(Zip)																
1. Title of	Security (Ins		le I - No	2. Trans Date (Month/	action	2. E	A. Deen xecutio any Month/D	ned n Date,	3. Transac	ction	4. Securi	ties Acquire d Of (D) (Ins	ed (A) or tr. 3, 4 an						of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
						\perp			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		(Instr. 3	and 4)			
Common Stock/serp				12/3	31/2008				J ⁽¹⁾		535	A	\$30.	845	11,030		D		
Common	Stock															,400		D	
		T	able II -									, or Ben ible secu			wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea			7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	tive derivative ty Securities		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		xpiration late	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option	\$17.45								05/18/200	5 0	5/17/2011	Common Stock	7,500			7,500		D	
Stock Option	\$20.27								09/22/200	5 0	9/21/2011	Common Stock	18,200	0		18,200)	D	
Stock Option	\$25.2867								04/27/200	6 0	4/26/2012	Common Stock	22,81	5		22,815	,	D	
Stock Option	\$33.2667								04/26/200	7 0	4/25/2013	Common Stock	22,485	5		22,485	,	D	
Stock Option	\$36.44								04/24/200	8 0	4/23/2014	Common Stock	25,720	0		25,720)	D	
Stock Option	\$48.6								04/23/200	9 0	4/22/2015	Common Stock	24,910	0		24,910)	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/ David A. Zapico

12/31/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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