

Hardin John Wesley
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Hardin John Wesley

(Last) (First) (Middle)
37 NORTH VALLEY ROAD, BUILDING 4
(Street)

PAOLI, PA 19301-0801

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMETEK INC/ [AME]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2008

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)
PRES. - ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS

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 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 | |

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. 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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Stock Option | \$ 20.27 | | | | | 09/22/2005 09/21/2011 | Common Stock | 5,876 |
| Stock Option | \$ 25.2867 | | | | | 04/27/2006 04/26/2012 | Common Stock | 3,203 |
| Stock Option | \$ 33.2667 | | | | | 04/26/2007 04/25/2013 | Common Stock | 6,099 |
| Stock Option | \$ 36.44 | | | | | 04/24/2008 04/23/2014 | Common Stock | 7,415 |
| Stock Option | \$ 48.6 | | | | | 04/23/2009 04/22/2015 | Common Stock | 9,712 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Hardin John Wesley 37 NORTH VALLEY ROAD BUILDING 4 PAOLI, PA 19301-0801 | | | PRES. - ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS | |

Signatures

/s/ John W.
Hardin
12/31/2008
Date

**Signature of 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).

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- (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.

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