Knutson Daniel E Form 4 February 20, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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Other (specify

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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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 may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Knutson Daniel E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

BALCHEM CORP [BCPC]

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner

Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION, 52 SUNRISE

PARK ROAD

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

02/15/2018

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

02/15/2018

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(A)

845

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 74.57	02/15/2018		A	3,383	(2)	02/15/2028	Common Stock	3,383	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Knutson Daniel E C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION 52 SUNRISE PARK ROAD NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958

Signatures

/s/ Daniel E. Knutson, by Attorney in Fact, Mark Stach

02/20/2018

**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).
- Ownership of the restricted stock does not vest in Reporting person until four years from the grant date and is further subject to
- (1) restrictions on transfer in accordance with the provisions of a Restricted Stock Grant Agreement between the Issuer and the Reporting Person.
- (2) Options vest 20% year 1; 40% year 2; and 40% year 3.

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