

Backus William A.
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Backus William A.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION, 52 SUNRISE PARK ROAD

(Street)

NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BALCHEM CORP [BCPC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/18/2018

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)
Chief Accounting Officer

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	06/18/2018		I ⁽¹⁾	4,364 (1) D \$ 100.5	14,402	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	06/19/2018		F	2,449 (2) D \$ 98.94	11,953	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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Backus William A. C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION 52 SUNRISE PARK ROAD NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958			Chief Accounting Officer	

Signatures

/s/ William A. Backus, by Attorney in Fact, Mark Stach

06/20/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Intra-plan transfer from the Balchem Common Stock Fund to another fund within the respective plan.

On June 19, 2014, the Company granted 5,000 restricted shares under the Company's Long-Term Incentive Program. The shares were

(2) subject to certain restrictions under the Restricted Stock Grant Agreement. On June 19, 2018, 2,449 of the shares that vested on June 19, 2018 were withheld to cover withholding taxes due upon vesting.

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