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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

C/O BALCHEM

(City)

Stock

(First) (Middle)

BALCHEM CORP [BCPC] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/29/2016

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

CFO and Treasurer

CORPORATION, 52 SUNRISE PARK ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

F

(A)

63.27

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Common 02/29/2016 Code V Amount (D) Price

977 (1) D

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

 $17,308 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	Amount Underly Securiti	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	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

CFO and Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ William A. Backus, by Attorney in Fact, Matthew Houston

03/01/2016

**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).
- On February 28, 2012, the Company granted 2,500 restricted shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program.

 The stock was subject to a repurchase option in favor of the Issuer and to restrictions on transfer until it vested in accordance with the provisions of the Restricted Stock Purchase Agreement on February 28, 2016. 977 of the 2,500 shares that vested February 28, 2016 were withheld to cover withholding taxes due upon vesting.
- (2) This filing amends the "amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction" to include the most current amount of shares owned directly by Mr. Backus in his 401(k)/profit sharing account.

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