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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement AMETEK INC/ [AME] Hardin John Wesley (Month/Day/Year) 07/23/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 37 NORTH VALLEY (Check all applicable) ROAD, BUILDING 4 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director \_X\_\_ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting PRES. - ELECTRONIC Person PAOLI, Â PAÂ 19301-0801 Form filed by More than One **INSTRUMENTS** Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock D 22,215 Common Stock/SERP 2,252 D 401K PLAN 401K PLAN 213 I Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and Ginstr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Derivative Se (Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	Ownership (Instr. 5)
Stock Option	09/22/2005	09/21/2011	Common Stock	5,876	\$ 20.27	D	Â
Stock Option	04/27/2006	04/26/2012	Common Stock	3,203	\$ 25.2867	D	Â
Stock Option	04/26/2007	04/25/2013	Common Stock	6,099	\$ 33.2667	D	Â
Stock Option	04/24/2008	04/23/2014	Common Stock	7,415	\$ 36.44	D	Â
Stock Option	04/23/2009	04/22/2015	Common Stock	9,712	\$ 48.6	D	Â

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Hardin John Wesley 37 NORTH VALLEY ROAD BUILDING 4 PAOLI, PA 19301-0801	Â	Â	PRES ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS	Â	

## **Signatures**

JOHNWESLEYHARDIN 07/23/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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