

ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, INC.
 Form 4
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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 *
 VITARELLI RONALD R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, INC. [WMS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, INC., 4640 TRUEMAN BOULEVARD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/08/2017

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 EVP and Co-COO

(Street)
 HILLARD, OH 43026

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) | Amount (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 02/08/2017 | | A | 10,331 A | \$ 0 71,698 | 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. 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Option to Purchase Common Stock | \$ 24.2 | 02/08/2017 | | A | 31,292 | (1) 03/31/2026 | Common Stock | 31,292 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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 4640 TRUEMAN BOULEVARD
 HILLARD, OH 43026

EVP and Co-COO

Signatures

/s/ Ronald R. Vitarelli, by Joseph A. Chlapaty as attorney-in-fact

02/10/2017

__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).

(1) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 8, 2018, provided that the Reporting Person remains continuously employed by the Issuer through each applicable vesting date.

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