ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, INC.

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **FUSSNER THOMAS M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

Symbol

ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, INC. [WMS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

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

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

EVP and Co-COO

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

C/O ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, INC., 4640 TRUEMAN

(Street)

BOULEVARD

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

(Month/Day/Year)

02/08/2017

Applicable Line)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

HILLIARD, OH 43026

(City) (State) (Zip)

02/08/2017

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Stock

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Code V Common

Amount (D) \$0 Α 10,331 594,032

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 of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 24.2	02/08/2017		A	31,292	<u>(1)</u>	03/31/2026	Common Stock	31,292

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FUSSNER THOMAS M C/O ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, INC. 4640 TRUEMAN BOULEVARD HILLIARD, OH 43026

EVP and Co-COO

Signatures

/s/ Thomas M. Fussner, by Joseph A. Chlapaty as attorney-in-fact

02/10/2017 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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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