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REPORTING OWNER

HAGEDORN GENE J

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ISSUER

BALDOR ELECTRIC CO

CIK: **9342** | IRS No.: **430168840** | State of Incorporation: **MO** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**

SIC: **3621** Motors & generators

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|---|---------|----------|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person HAGEDORN GENE J | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALDOR ELECTRIC CO [BEZ] | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Vice President - Materials | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2006 | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| 5711 R S BOREHAM JR ST | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | |
| (Street) FORT SMITH, AR 72901 | | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | |

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|-----------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common stock | 01/03/2006 | | M | | 6,926 | A | \$14.4375 | 36,290 | D | |
| Common stock | | | | | | | | 1,026 | I | Qualified benefit plans ⁽¹⁾ |
| Common stock | | | | | | | | 25,405 | I | By spouse |
| common stock | 01/03/2006 | | F | | 3,898 | D | \$25.65 | 32,392 | D | |
| common stock | 01/03/2006 | | M | | 2,407 | A | \$14.4375 | 34,799 | D | |
| common stock | 01/03/2006 | | F | | 1,706 | D | \$25.65 | 33,093 | D | |
| common stock | 01/03/2006 | | G | V | 300 | D | \$ 0 | 32,793 | D | |

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |

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| Employee stock option | \$14.4375 | 01/03/2006 | | <u>M</u> | | | 9,333 | 01/19/1996 | 01/19/2006 | Common stock | 9,333 | \$14.4375 | 0 | D | |
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Explanation of Responses:

- Shares allocated in qualified benefit plans as of 2/6/05.

Signatures

Gene J. Hagedorn

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/03/2006

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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