FORM 4

# **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

10b5-1(c). See Insti	ruction 10.			
Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Merrill Judd			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Aqua Metals, Inc. [ AQMS ]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5370 KIETZKE LN		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2025	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Chief Financial Officer
SUITE 201  (Street) RENO	NV	89511	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(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)	 3. Transac Code (In 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/20/2025	A <sup>(1)</sup>		27,208	A	\$0	244,119(2)	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	 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)		5. Num Derivat Securit Acquire or Disp (D) (Ins	ive ies ed (A) osed of	(Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents 27,208 shares underlying restricted stock units ("RSUs") that are not yet vested and deliverable. The RSUs will vest and be settled six months after the grant date, subject to the Reporting Person's continuation of service with the Company. Each RSU shall entitle its holder to receive one Common Stock of the issuer.
- 2. Includes 184,901 shares underlying restricted stock units ("RSUs") that are not yet vested and deliverable.

/s/ Judd Merrill

02/24/2025 \*\* Signature of Reporting Person 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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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