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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Merrill Judd				Susuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Aqua Metals, Inc. [AQMS]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2500 PERU DR			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2020								X_ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer					
(Street) SPARKS, NV 89437			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							6. 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 Acqu						ies Acquire	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						
1.Title of Sec (Instr. 3)	curity		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			(Instr. 8)		(	4. Securities Acq (A) or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D) Ow Tra	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		l C F	Ownership of I Form: Ber	eneficial
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Derivative	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transac Code ) (Instr. 8	5. Do Se or (E (II an	Number crivative curities cquired ( Dispose () nstr. 3, 4 d 5)	vative rities (Mon isposed of . 3, 4, 5)		nte Exercisable Expiration Date		7. Title and of Underly Securities (Instr. 3 an	Amount or Number		9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/16/2020		Code  A(1)	V 32	(A) 23,276	(D)	(1)	1	(1)	Commor Shares	of Shares 1 323,276	\$ 0	1,131,370 (2)	D	

### **Reporting Owners**

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Merrill Judd 2500 PERU DR SPARKS, NV 89437			Chief Financial Officer					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Judd Merrill	12/18/2020
**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).
- Represents 323,276 shares underlying restricted stock units ("RSUs") that are not yet vested and deliverable. The RSUs will vest and be settled in six equal semi-annual installments over a (1) three year period, subject to the Reporting Person's continuation of service with the Company. These RSUs have been granted under the Company's 2020 Long Term Incentive Program as non-cash stock awards. Each RSU shall entitle its holder to receive one Common Stock of the issuer.
- (2) Includes 156,698 options and 974,672 RSUs.

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