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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] JOHNSEN WALTER C					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ACME UNITED CORP</u> [ACU]								(Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ACME UNITED CORP					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/24/2017									X Office below	r (give title		Other (below)	specify	
55 WALLS DRIVE (Street) FAIRFIELD CT 06824 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Lin	e) <mark>X</mark> Form Form	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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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)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date if any		Date, T	I. Γransacti Code (Ins 3)		6. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		tr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Date

Exercisable

(1)

(D)

60,000

Expiration

01/24/2027

Title

Commo

Stock

Date

1. 25% one day after first year anniversary of date of grant; 25% one day after second year anniversary of date of grant; 25% one day after fourth year anniversary of date of grant.

\$23.99

Explanation of Responses:

Employee

Stock

Ontion

/s/ Walter C. Johnsen 01/2

\$23.99

** Signature of Reporting Person

Amount or Number

Shares

60,000

of

<u>01/26/2017</u> Date

370,400

D

Signature of Reporting Person D

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).

01/24/2017

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