Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACME UNITED CORP [ACU]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last)	ast) (First) (Middle)				Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)								X Officer below)	(give title		Other (below)	specify		
C/O ACME UNITED CORP					01/23/2018								CEO and Chairman of the Board						
55 WALLS DRIVE																			
						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,			e, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 au		Benefici	es ally Following	Form (D) o	vnership n: Direct r Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaci (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(111501.4)		
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/Ye	Cod	saction e (Instr.	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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Cod	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Employee Stock Option	\$23.94	01/23/2018		A		13,500		(1)	0:	1/23/2028	Common Stock	13,500	\$23.94	391,79	2	D			

Explanation of Responses:

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 third year anniversary of date of grant; 25% one day after fourth year anniversary of date of grant

/s/ Walter C. Johnsen

02/0<u>6/2018</u>

** 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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