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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, INC. [WMS] JONES ROSS M (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O ADVANCED DRAINAGE (Check all applicable) SYSTEMS, INC., 4640 TRUEMAN BOULEVARD 10% Owner _X_ Director (Street) Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person HILLIARD. OHÂ 43026 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) See Footnote (1) (2) Common Stock 8,850,156 I Common Stock 81.801 Ι Berkshire Investors III LLC (3) Common Stock 81,818 I Berkshire Investors IV LLC (4)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

6. Nature of Indirect Ownership Form of Derivative

Security:

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JONES ROSS M C/O ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, INC. 4640 TRUEMAN BOULEVARD HILLIARD, OHÂ 43026

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Signatures

/s/ Ross M. Jones, by Scott A. Cottrill as attorney-in-fact

06/01/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 shares held by Berkshire Fund IX, L.P. ("BF IX"), Berkshire Fund IX-A, L.P. ("BF IX-A"), Stockbridge Fund, L.P. ("SF"), Stockbridge Absolute Return Fund, L.P. ("SARF") and certain other accounts. Ninth Berkshire Associates LLC ("9BA"), is the general partner of BF IX and BF IX-A and Stockbridge Associates LLC ("SA") is the general partner of SF and SARF. Berkshire Partners LLC ("BP") is the investment adviser to BF IX and BF IX-A and Stockbridge Partners LLC ("SP") is the investment adviser to SF, SARF and

- such certain other accounts. Berkshire Partners Holdings LLC ("BPH") is the general partner of BPSP, L.P. ("BPSP"), which is the managing member of BP and SP. The Reporting Person is a managing member of BPH, BPSP, BP, SP, 9BA and SA. By virtue of the relationships described in the preceding sentences, the Reporting Person may be deemed to share beneficial ownership with respect to the shares of common stock held by BF IX, BF IX-A, SF, SARF and such other accounts.
- (Continued from Footnote 1) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary (2) interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
 - Represents shares held by Berkshire Investors III LLC ("BI III"). The Reporting Person is a managing member of BI III. By virtue of the relationship described in the preceding sentence, the Reporting Person may be deemed to share beneficial ownership with respect to the
- (3) shares of common stock held by BI III. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by BI III, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

Represents shares held by Berkshire Investors IV LLC ("BI IV"). The Reporting Person is a managing member of BI IV. By virtue of the relationship described in the preceding sentence, the Reporting Person may be deemed to share beneficial ownership with respect to the

(4) shares of common stock held by BI IV. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by BI IV, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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