

FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PIERSCHBACHER JOHN L.		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 2/21/2018		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMES NATIONAL CORP		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) ATLO	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ X Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ Contractor _____		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
PO BOX 846				Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
AMES IA 50910	(Street)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) Common Stock		2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) 3,750		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) I		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) John Pierschbacher IRA	

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 5(b)(v).

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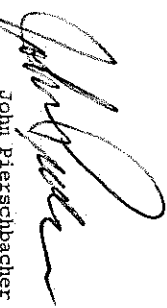
Table II -- Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securities (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
			Title		Amount or Number of Shares	

Explanation of Responses:

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.
See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, See Instruction 6 for procedure.


John Pierschbacher
** Signature of Reporting Person

2/21/2018
Date

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