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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> Coelho N			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BALCHEM CORP [BCPC]						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	10/23/2017	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Origin Filed(Month/Day/Year)			
C/O BALCI CORPORA SUNRISE F NEW HAM	TION, 52 PARK ROZ (Street)	AD	3	Direct Office (give title bel	(Check all applicable) Director 10% Own Officer Other e title below) (specify below) Chief Financial Officer		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 - N	Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned						
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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 Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date

Amount or Security Number of Shares

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Direct (D)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Coelho Mary Theresa C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION 52 SUNRISE PARK ROAD NEW HAMPTON, NYÂ 10958

Â Â Chief Financial Officer Â

Signatures

/s/ Mary Theresa Coelho, by Attorney in Fact, Mark Stach

10/25/2017

**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).

Ownership of restricted stock granted under the Issuer's 2017 Omnibus Incentive Plan vests in Reporting Person on the fourth anniversary (1) of the grant date and is further subject to the provisions of a Restricted Stock Grant Agreement between the Issuer and the Reporting Person, dated October 23, 2017.

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Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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