

SAVAGE ROBERT C  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SAVAGE ROBERT C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
76 SOUTH MAIN STREET  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/27/2004

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

AKRON, OH 44308  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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

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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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Derivative Security	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
		Code	V				
Stock Options (Right to buy) \$ 22.56				01/01/2004	01/01/2010	Common Stock	8,584
Stock Options (Right to buy) \$ 31.69				01/01/2005	01/01/2011	Common Stock	5,096
Stock Options (Right to buy) \$ 31.7438				01/01/2003	01/01/2009	Common Stock	5,110
Stock Options (Right to buy) \$ 35.15				01/01/2006	01/01/2012	Common Stock	5,032
Phantom Stock Units \$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>			12/27/2004			Common Stock	347
		A	347	<sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(2)</sup>		39

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SAVAGE ROBERT C 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308	X			

## Signatures

Edward J. Udovich, POA      12/29/2004

         \*\*Signature of Reporting Person      Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

(1) 1 for 1

(2) In accordance with the terms and conditions of the FirstEnergy Corp. Deferred Compensation plan for Outside Directors.

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