

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC  
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**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 \*  
 ROBERTS DAVID A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC  
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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/20/2008

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

3013 KINGS MANOR DRIVE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

WEDDINGTON, NC 21104-6868

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) Price			
common stock					7,649	D	

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)**

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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/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
option	\$ 32.51					(1) 05/15/2014	common stock	8,000
stock units	(2)	11/20/2008		A	9.83	(2) (2)	common stock	9.83

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROBERTS DAVID A 3013 KINGS MANOR DRIVE WEDDINGTON, NC 21104-6868			X	

## Signatures

Angela M. Hughes, power of attorney for David A. Roberts  
Date: 11/24/2008

\_\_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) The options become exercisable in three equal installments of 1/3 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.  
Pursuant to terms of the Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan approved by the board of directors on February 11, 2000 and amended and restated on April 28, 2006, Mr. Roberts elected to receive his 2004 board of directors retainer in Franklin Electric Co., Inc. common stock, issuance of such shares deferred until he retires or otherwise leaves the board of directors (e.g. Stock Units). On November 20, 2008 Mr. Roberts was credited with 9.83 Stock Units for dividends that would have been paid on such deferred shares. At distribution, Mr. Roberts may elect pursuant to the terms of the Plan to receive his deferred compensation either in shares of Franklin common stock or in cash.
- (2)

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