

FIRSTENERGY CORP
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
MARSH RICHARD H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

76 SOUTH MAIN STREET

(Street)

AKRON, OH 44308

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
05/18/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. Vice Pres. & Chief Fin. Of

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/18/2005		M	20,000 A \$ 29.5	21,136.258	D	
Common Stock	05/18/2005		S	20,000 D \$ 44.05	1,136.258	D	
Common Stock					4,613.3023	I	By Savings Plan Trust

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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.5	05/18/2005		M	20,000 (1)	05/16/2005 ⁽¹⁾	05/16/2011	Common Stock	2
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.71					03/01/2004	03/01/2013	Common Stock	4
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.45					04/01/2003	04/01/2012	Common Stock	3
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.76					03/01/2005	03/01/2014	Common Stock	5
Phantom / Retirement	\$ 1					⁽²⁾	⁽²⁾	Common Stock	5,3
Phantom 3/03D	\$ 1					03/03/2003	03/01/2006	Common Stock	7,2
Phantom 3/05D	\$ 1					02/25/2005	03/01/2008	Common Stock	3,7
RSUP1	\$ 1					03/01/2008	03/01/2008	Common Stock	3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
				Sr. Vice Pres. & Chief Fin. Of

