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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Tobin Bradford F | | | 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) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (energy an approache) | | | |
| 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET | | ΣT | (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2005 | Director 10% Owner Selection Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice Pres & Chief Info Officer | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| AKRON, OH 44308 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

| (City) | (State) (Z | Zip) | Table I | - Non-Derivative Securit | ies Acquired, Disposed | of, or Beneficial | lly Owned |
|------------|---------------------|------------|---------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed | 3 | . 4. Securities | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature o |
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Security TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

1,017.068

D

Code V Amount (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock 666.3761 I By Savings Plan

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

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transa Code (Instr. | | 5. Number of Securities A or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4, a | cquired (A) of (D) | 6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y | e | 7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------|---|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | Security | | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 29.71 | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | 03/01/2005 | 03/01/2013 | Common Stock |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 34.45 | | | | | | | 04/01/2005 | 04/01/2012 | Common Stock |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 38.76 | | | | | | | 03/01/2005 | 03/01/2014 | Common Stock |
| Phantom 3/02D | \$ 1 | 03/01/2005 | | M | | | 2,726.47 | 03/01/2002 | 03/01/2005 | Common Stock |
| Phantom / Retirement | \$ 1 <u>(1)</u> | 03/01/2005 | | A | | 2,726.47 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock |
| Phantom 3/05D | \$ 1 | | | | | | | 02/25/2005 | 03/01/2008 | Common Stock |
| RSUP1 | \$ 1 <u>(1)</u> | 03/01/2005 | | A | | 1,413 (3) | | 03/01/2008 | 03/01/2008 | Common Stock |
| RSUD2 | \$ 1 <u>(1)</u> | 03/01/2005 | | A | | 272 (4) | | 03/01/2010 | 03/01/2010 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

David W.

Whitehead, POA

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| FB | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Tobin Bradford F 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308 | | | Vice Pres & Chief Info Officer | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |

03/03/2005

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**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
- These transactions reflect the extension of the expiration date of phantom stock from 3/1/2005 to "retirement" or "other termination of employment" under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee, and reflects the stock moving to the "retirement" account from the Phantom 3/02D.
- The performance based restricted stock units, which were granted March 1, 2005, will earn dividends. The reported number of units (3) reflects 75% of the total amount of units granted, and is the amount the employee is guaranteed to realize. The actual number realized could be 25% higher or 25% lower than the total amount of units granted.
- The discretionary based restricted stock units, which were granted on March 1, 2005, will earn dividends. The reported number of units reflects 75% of the total amount of units granted, and is the amount the employee is guaranteed to realize. The actual number realized could be 25% higher or 25% lower than the total amount of units granted.

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