#### AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO INC

Form 4 April 04, 2006

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* CARLTON DONALD M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER

(Check all applicable)

CO INC [AEP]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2006

403 N. WESTON LANE (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

below)

**AUSTIN, TX 78733** 

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Conversion Security or Exercise any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Securities Code

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of (Month/Day/Year Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)								
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Unit <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0 (2)	03/31/2006		A		606.261		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	606.261	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner France / Francess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CARLTON DONALD M 403 N. WESTON LANE	X						
AUSTIN, TX 78733							

# **Signatures**

/s/ Thomas G. Berkemeyer, Attorney-in-Fact for Donald M.

Carlton

\*\*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) Acquisition pursuant to the AEP Stock Unit Accumulation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (2) Stock Units are paid to the director in cash upon termination of service unless the director has elected to defer payment for a period that results in payment commencing not latr than five years thereafter.
- (3) Includes units of reinvested dividends pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Plan.

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