

ALEXANDER ANTHONY J  
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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 \*  
 ALEXANDER ANTHONY J

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)  
 03/01/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Pres. & Chief Exec. Officer

AKRON, OH 44308

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

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(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                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 65,515.98   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 16,399.3237   | 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |                      |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount Number Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 27.75   |                                      |  |                                |   | 11/22/2004   | 11/22/2010  | Common Stock | 80,                  |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 29.5  |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/16/2005   | 05/16/2011  | Common Stock | 120                  |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 29.71   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2004   | 03/03/2013  | Common Stock | 160                  |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 34.45   |                                      |  |                                |   | 04/01/2003   | 04/01/2012  | Common Stock | 120                  |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 38.76   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/01/2005   | 03/01/2014  | Common Stock | 257                  |
| Phantom / Retirement                       | \$ 1   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u>   | <u>(1)</u>  | Common Stock | 13,49                |
| RSUP1                                      | \$ 1 <sup>(2)</sup>                                    | 03/01/2005                           |  | A                              | 35,966 <sup>(3)</sup>   | 03/01/2008   | 03/01/2008  | Common Stock | 35,                  |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

ALEXANDER ANTHONY J  
76 SOUTH MAIN STREET  
AKRON, OH 44308

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Pres. & Chief Exec. Officer

## Signatures

David W.  
Whitehead, POA

03/03/2005

\_\_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) This transaction reflects the extension and vesting of phantom stock to "retirement" or " other termination of employment" under arrangements approved by the Compensation Committee.
  - (2) 1 for 1  
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.

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