FIRSTENERGY CORP

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **POWERS PAUL J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]

X_ Director

10% Owner Other (specify

76 SOUTH MAIN STREET

(Month/Day/Year)

02/18/2005

Officer (give title below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

AKRON, OH 44308

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionof **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Derivati Security or Exercise Code Derivative (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Securities (Instr. 5)

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Derivative Acquired Security (A) or Disposed of (D)

of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or

Number of Shares

Phantom

Stock \$ 1 (1) 02/18/2005 A 276 (2) Common Stock 276 \$ 40.874

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

POWERS PAUL J

76 SOUTH MAIN STREET X

AKRON, OH 44308

Signatures

David W. Whitehead, POA 02/23/2005

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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
- (2) In accordance with the terms and conditions of the FirstEnergy Corp. Deferred Compensation plan for Outside Directors.

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