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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Benz Gary D Symbol FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]

(Zip)

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

76 S. MAIN ST. 02/20/2018

> (Street) Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Issuer (Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

Sr VP, Strategy

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

AKRON, OH 44308

(City)

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)

(State)

Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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

Common 10,693.192 (1) D Stock

Common By Savings $1,882.725 \frac{(2)}{}$ I Stock Plan

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 orderivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Shares
RSUC15	<u>(3)</u>	02/20/2018		A	3,996.058 (4)	03/01/2018	03/01/2018	Common Stock	3,990
RSUS15	(3)	02/20/2018		A	8,153.307 (4)	03/01/2018	03/01/2018	Common Stock	8,153

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Benz Gary D							
76 S. MAIN ST.			Sr VP, Strategy				
AKRON OH 44308							

Signatures

Jennifer L. Geyer, attorney-in-fact 02/21/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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) Balance includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment.
- FE's 401(k) Savings Plan includes a unitized fund invested in FE stock, in which the reporting person may invest, and includes dividend reinvestment and company match features. The number of shares reported as indirectly held in the 401(k) Plan in this row is an estimate of the number of shares of FE's common stock held in the unitized stock fund and allocated to the reporting person's account as of January 31, 2018.
- (**3**) 1 for 1
- The Board approved performance results for the performance-adjusted stock based restricted stock unit grant (RSUS15) and the (4) performance-adjusted cash based restricted stock unit grant (RSUC15) made in 2015 for the 2015-2017 performance cycle, and these awards will vest on March 1, 2018.

Remarks:

Exhibit 24: Power of Attorney (attached)

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