

FIRSTENERGY CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WELSH THOMAS M

(Last) (First) (Middle)
76 SOUTH MAIN STREET
(Street)

AKRON, OH 44308

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/18/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 08/18/2005 | | P | 4,571.3124 (1) | \$ 7,658.5718 | A I | Savings Plan |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1 | I | By Thomas Welsh (Son) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1 | I | By Jeff Welsh (Son) |

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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 27.75 | | | | | 11/22/2004 11/22/2010 | Common Stock | 4,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 29.5 | | | | | 05/16/2005 05/16/2011 | Common Stock | 10,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 29.71 | | | | | 03/01/2004 03/01/2013 | Common Stock | 11,300 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 34.45 | | | | | 04/01/2004 04/01/2012 | Common Stock | 8,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 38.76 | | | | | 03/01/2005 03/01/2014 | Common Stock | 15,500 |
| Phantom 3/05D | \$ 1 | | | | | 02/25/2005 03/01/2008 | Common Stock | 525.385 |
| RSUP1 | \$ 1 | | | | | 03/01/2008 03/01/2008 | Common Stock | 1,503.677 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| WELSH THOMAS M 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308 | | | Senior Vice President | |

Signatures

David W.
Whitehead, POA

08/22/2005

__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 purchase was completed in accordance with a 10b5-1 Plan signed by Thomas M. Welsh on 6/30/05.

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