

EATON CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
CUTLER ALEXANDER M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

EATON CENTER, 1111 SUPERIOR AVE.

(Street)

CLEVELAND, OH 44114

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
EATON CORP [ETN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/15/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chairman and CEO; President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 179,583 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   | 15,730.111 <sup>(2)</sup>   | I  | by trustee of ESP                                     |
| Common Shares                   |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,000 <sup>(3)</sup>  | I  | by spouse   |

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 of Number of Shares |
| Phantom Shares                             | \$ 0   | 03/15/2006                           | (4)  | A                              | 60,682.823<br>(5)   | (4)  | (4)   | Common Shares | 60,682.8                   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| CUTLER ALEXANDER M<br>EATON CENTER<br>1111 SUPERIOR AVE.<br>CLEVELAND, OH 44114 | X             |           | Chairman and CEO; President |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Claudia J. Taller as  
attorney-in-fact

03/17/2006

\*\*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) Certain of these shares represent restricted shares issued under an Eaton Corporation stock plan and are subject to risk of forfeiture.
- (2) These shares are held in the Eaton Savings Plan.
- (3) These shares are held in two separate Ohio Uniform Gifts for Minors accounts for two children of which Mr. Cutler's spouse is the custodian.
- (4) This field is not applicable.

- (5) These Phantom Share Units were acquired by the reporting person's deferral in the deferred incentive compensation plans maintained by the Company of bonus and long-term incentive compensation earned during 2005. The number of Phantom Share Units acquired is based on the average of the mean prices for Eaton Common Shares for the twenty trading days immediately following the end of the period in which the compensation was earned.

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