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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MAIER RUSSELL W

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

FIRSTENERGY CORP [FE]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/28/2005

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

76 SOUTH MAIN STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(Street)

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

AKRON, OH 44308

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect
Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial
Owned (I) Ownership
Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Reported
Transaction(s)
or (Instance 2 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof	Expiration Date	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Derivative	(Month/Day/Year)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securities		

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

Sec. (Instr. 3 and 4)

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	Derivative Security				Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. and 5)	sed () () (3, 4,					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 31.7438						01/01/2003	01/01/2009	Common Stock	5,110	
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 1 <u>(1)</u>	03/28/2005	A		251		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	251	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MAIER RUSSELL W 76 SOUTH MAIN STREET AKRON, OH 44308	X						

Signatures

David W.
Whitehead, POA

**Signature of Reporting

Date

**Signature of Reporting
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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