

FIRSTENERGY CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**MAIER RUSSELL W**  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**FIRSTENERGY CORP [2yy\*yyyy]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

**FIRSTENERGY CORP, 76 SOUTH MAIN ST**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/03/2005**

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

**AKRON, OH 44308**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					2,690.583	D	

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)**

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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	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. F
				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 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/03/2005		A	258	<u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	258
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/03/2005		A	42	<u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	42

### Reporting Owners

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

### Signatures

David W.  
Whitehead, POA                                      05/03/2005

\_\_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) 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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