

Strupp Thomas J  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Strupp Thomas J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC  
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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO  
INC, 400 EAST SPRING STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/28/2013

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President

(Street)  
  
BLUFFTON, IN 46714

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)  | Price   |  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V Amount  |  |                                   |
| common stock                    | 02/28/2013                           |  | M                              | A   | \$ 3,975  | 15,123   | D                                 |
| common stock                    | 02/28/2013                           |  | M                              | A   | \$ 6,300  | 21,423   | D                                 |
| common stock                    | 02/28/2013                           |  | F                              | D   | \$ 65.07  | 14,832 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | 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)

| 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 (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. P... Der... Sec... (Ins... |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|-------------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |  |  | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares    |
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)  | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   |                               |
| option                                     | \$ 28.82   | 02/28/2013                           |  | M                              | 3,975  | (2) 02/22/2020   | common stock  | 3,975                         |
| option                                     | \$ 32.19   | 02/28/2013                           |  | M                              | 6,300  | (2) 02/28/2018   | common stock  | 6,300                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer        | Other |
| Strupp Thomas J<br>FRANKLIN ELECTRIC CO INC<br>400 EAST SPRING STREET<br>BLUFFTON, IN 46714 |               |           | Vice President |       |

## Signatures

Thomas J. Strupp  
03/01/2013  
\*\*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) includes 1197 restricted shares that vest 4 years after the 5/4/2012 grant date, 1251 restricted shares that vest 4 years after the 3/2/2011 grant date, 1700 restricted shares that vest 4 years after the 2/22/2010 grant date and 7000 shares owned outright
- (2) The options become exercisable in four equal installments of 1/4 each year, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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